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DG Market receives approval to proceed

Grocery could be open by May 2024

BY BOB DEMAREE
A new DG Market grocery has received corporate approval from Dollar General to locate in downtown Madison with Mayor Bob Courtney getting the official notification Wednesday from Curt Rafferty, managing member of Rafferty Development LLC.
“Years of effort, including acquiring control and developing a plan for this property, has achieved another

milestone for our downtown grocery store initiative,” Courtney said Thursday morning. “Dollar General Corporation has given final approval to locate the DG Market at this location. We will now finalize the details with our developer partner for a closing on the real estate economic development agreements.”
Construction is scheduled to begin in October with a targeted date to open the new grocery store

in May 2024.
“The new market will fill a void in our downtown area and also contribute to our economy and quality of life for all residents and visitors,” said Courtney. “I couldn’t be prouder of our city economic development and planning departments with all our progress bringing new investment across the city.”
In June, Rafferty entered into a purchase agreement with a
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PHOTOS / Handout
An architectural rendition of what the proposed Dollar General Market could look like at 120 E. Second St. With corporate approval now received for the project, construction could begin in October with an opening slated for May 2024.

Kasper’s Broadway Fountain photo selected as 2023 Chautauqua poster

BY BOB DEMAREE
Among the many Madison scenes that photographer Bernie Kasper captured during his talented lifetime, the Broadway Fountain is one he photographed throughout the years and throughout the seasons.
“He photographed that fountain in every season in every month of the year,” said his wife, Amy Kasper.
Despite so many to choose from, one of Kasper’s favorite Broadway Fountain photos has been selected as poster artwork for this year’s Madison Chautauqua Festival of Art’s annual weekend Saturday, Sept. 30, and Sunday, Oct. 1. It’s a scene that shows water flowing from the fountain with Trinity United Methodist Church in the background.

“It is a nice honor. It’s good to see his legacy continue,” said Amy Kasper, his wife of 33 years. “He contributed a lot to the city and just to the happiness of people” who saw his photography. “He brought a lot of joy to the community with his pictures, and he’s done a lot to help with tourism and marketing” of the city of Madison. “So, this is a nice honor, nice recognition for his efforts and the great work that he’s done.”
Kara Hinze, coordinator of the Madison Chautauqua, said, “This year, like last year, we did have a lot of great entries. But we just kept coming” back to Bernie Kasper’s photograph of the Broadway Fountain. “It’s a beautiful photo, and if you love Madison, the fountain



Bob Demaree
Isaiah Kasper and Amy Kasper (center), son and wife of the late Bernie Kasper, display the poster artwork for the Madison Chautauqua Festival of Art — a photograph by Bernie Kasper of the Broadway Fountain. At far left is Roy Graham, manager of MPS Printing which printed the posters and Jennifer Ehlers, far right, representing the Arvin Sango Foundation, which sponsored this year’s Chautauqua poster art.

is an icon. We felt honored that (Amy) would share part of Bernie’s catalog with us. That did go into our decision. It was a good way to honor someone that was so devoted and loved in Madison.”
Bernie Kasper, who died on March 26 at age 60, was a lifelong resident of Madison, who worked as a grocery store manager for much of his work career while spending his spare time creating art with his camera. When Kasper died last spring, he had become highly recognized and appreciated for his

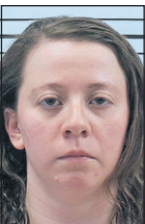


SEE POSTER/PAGE A6 Madison photographer Bernine Kasper is shown.

Former deputy jailer facing 14 counts of official misconduct and theft

BY THE COURIER STAFF
An investigation launched by the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department has resulted in the arrest of a deputy jailer on 14 counts of official misconduct and one count of theft in connection with the alleged misappropriation of funds from Inmate Trust Accounts.
Deputy Jailer Ava Marie Lohrig, 26, Madison, was arrested on Wednesday, Aug. 23, and charged with Official Misconduct-14 Counts, all Level 6 felonies; and Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. She was booked into the Jefferson Coun-

ty Jail without bond and her employment with the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department was terminated.
According to a release by the sheriff’s office, JCSO received a complaint on Aug. 14, from a released inmate claiming that he did not receive a debit card containing unused funds from his Inmate Trust Account. The debit cards, issued by jail staff to each inmate upon release from the facility, contain any money left in the Inmate Trust Account.



Ava Marie Lohrig

the Detective Division of the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department.

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Charlie Rohlfing
DRUMMER TYLER BRINDEL

Brindel has built a life in music

When I first saw Tyler Brindel playing percussion with Rusty Bladen about 8 years ago, I made two incorrect assumptions. First, I assumed that he was new to drumming, based on the fact that he looked quite young and I hadn’t seen him play before.
The other misconception was that he was playing a cajon drum because he was a beginner and liked the simplicity of the instrument. (A cajon, if you are not familiar, is a box-like stool that you sit on and tap on the sides with your hands. Cajons can make a lot of different drum sounds, but they are inherently simpler than a drum kit, with no cymbals or pedals to deal with.)
I was wrong on both counts. Tyler was an experienced drummer by the time I saw him with Rusty, having played all over the region and even in Nashville. And his use of the cajon was a creative choice, based on the sound he wanted, not because it is somewhat easier to play.
“I grew up in a very musical family,” relates Tyler. “We lived out on Wolf Run Road near Manville, and my dad Todd was a very active and skilled guitar player. He was the lead guitarist for the band Aura almost 40 years ago, with Rusty and Mark Bear and John Canfield and Warren Shacklette. Dad was self taught and he was an awesome player.
“Anyway, I was around a lot of guitars and I tried to learn, but the first time I saw Peter Criss from Kiss doing a drum solo, I knew that was the path for me. When I was 13 dad found a used



CHARLIE ROHLFING
CHARLIE’S BEAT

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OBITUARY

Michael W. ‘Mike’ Romans

Michael W. “Mike” Romans, age 68, of Vevay, Indiana, entered this life on August 26, 1954 in Milan, Indiana. He was the son of the late, Claude R. and Ruth (Chase) Romans. Mike passed away at 1:13 a.m., Monday, August 21, 2023, at the Norton King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison, Indiana.

In addition to his wife, Mike will be missed by his daughters, Charity Foxworthy and her husband, Tommy of Shelbyville, IN and Claudia Romans of Florence, IN; his son, Chris Romans of East Enterprise, IN; his grandchildren, Thomas Foxworthy and his fiancée, Lillian, Rebecca Shake and her husband, Jake, David Foxworthy and his fiancée, Megan, Kaela Hufford, Kacey Wagers and her husband, Horace, Jessica Scudder and Zac Romans; his great-grandchildren, Daniel, Isabella, Annabelle, Harper, Arianna, Kendrick, Haysley, Kaedyn, Austin, Belle, Harlee and Adalynn; his brothers, Dale Romans of Warsaw, KY and Dennis Romans and his wife, Amy of Hamilton, OH and his nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, Wesley Owen Foxworthy; his father, Claude R. Romans; his mother, Ruth (Chase) Romans; his paternal-grandparents, Arthur Lee Romans, and Nellie Naomi (Chandler) Romans; his maternal-grandparents, Clarence “Doc” Chase, and Mary Ellen (Reed) Chase.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home.

Full military rites were conducted on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 by the Honor Guard of the Vevay American Legion Post #185 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family c/o Rhonda Romans. Cards are available at the funeral home or online at www.haskellandmorrison.com

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BIRTHDAYS

Editor’s Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

AUG. 25 Dale Hatfield	AUG. 28 Sharon Gordon
	AUG. 29 Debbie Wright Scott Karst
	AUG. 30 Dennis Bickers
	AUG. 31 Scott Davidson Harold Perry

LOTTERIES

INDIANA
Hoosier Lotto: 10-15-26-28-35-46 (8/23). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$29.8 million. Next Drawing (8/26).
Cash Five: 8-15-20-33-36 (8/23).
Cash 4 Life:3-27-29-30-47 CB: 1 (8/23)

KENTUCKY
Cash Ball: 5-7-21-24 CB 19 (8/23)
Kentucky 5 Extra: 1-5-23-30-34 (8/23)
Lucky For Life: 5-21-29-33-37 LB: 17 (8/23)

MEGAMILLIONS
1-12-26-36-50 MB: 7, MP x2 (8/22). Next Jackpot: \$52 million. Next Drawing (8/25)

POWERBALL
25-30-32-33-55 PB: 20, PP 2 (8/23). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$345 million. Next Drawing (8/26)

POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY
18-25-38-56-61 PB: 19 (8/23). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (8/26)

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Suspect had ‘10 beers, shot’ before shooting teen

Stewart mourned, celebrated at Friday’s football opener

BY PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

The Owen County man charged in the shooting death of a 16-year-old Carroll County student told police he had “10 beers and a shot” before pointing the rifle at the teen and shooting him in the chest, according to uniform citation filed by the Kentucky State Police in Owen County Circuit Court.



Timothy D. Stone

Timothy D. Stone, 40, of 3775 Squiresville Road, Owenton is charged with second-degree manslaughter for the shooting that took place in the early morning hours of Aug. 13 at his residence, according to the citation.

Killed in the shooting was Bryce Stewart, who was a member of the Carroll County High School football team, an FFA officer and cheerleader. The citation says Stewart died from a single gunshot wound to the chest.

Stone was arraigned Aug. 17 in Owen County District Court where he entered a plea of not guilty. He was ordered to have no contact with juvenile witnesses who were present along with Stewart’s family, court records show.

He has since been released on a \$100,000 bond and is scheduled to appear for a preliminary hearing Aug. 31, court records show.

Stone allegedly told troopers he was showing Stewart a rifle when he pointed it at his chest and the gun discharged.

Meanwhile, Stewart’s

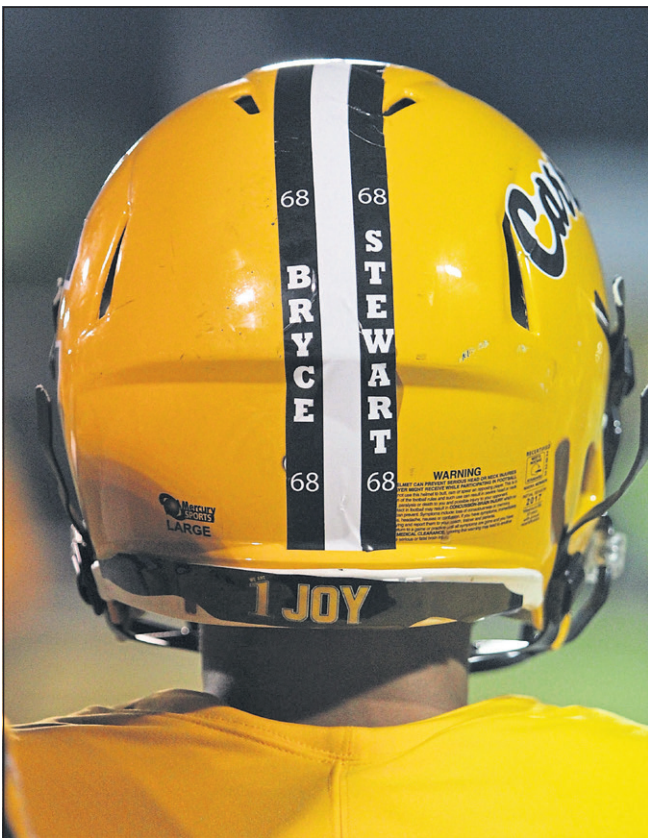
family, football family and the Carroll County community gathered for his funeral on Thursday in Carrollton — the same day as Stone’s arraignment in Owenton — and burial in rural Trimble County.

The school had opened its doors and football complex earlier in the week to give students a chance to gather, mourn and processes the sudden and tragic loss of their classmate and friend.

“It is difficult to process and cope with the loss of such a young, vital life,” said Carroll County Schools Superintendent Casey Jaynes. “Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with this young man’s family.”

Stewart’s teammates on the football team also honored him during their season opener last Friday night in Carrollton by wearing his number on their helmets and calling on his younger brother, Will, to take the first snap from scrimmage in the Panthers’ win over Louisville Western. The school’s marching band also honored Bryce by forming his uniform number “68” on the field during the half-time show.

“It’s been a tough week for all of us, coaches, administration. The whole school is in mourning over Bryce Stewart,” head coach Lonnie Oldham said after the game. “He was a pillar of our society and it really was evident on the visitation and the funeral



Abby Hoover

Carroll County football players honored fallen teammate Bryce Stewart with stickers bearing his name and number on the back of their helmets at Friday’s season opener. Stewart tragically passed away in a shooting on Sunday, Aug. 13.

with as many people that showed up.

“At the funeral, it was really poignant that Bryce was a believer. We believe he’s in heaven,” Oldham added. “With his parents and with his grandparents and all that, it was really evident that they wanted us to play for Bryce, to push forward and say it’s hard right now, hurt’s going to turn into hope. Hurt to hope and that was the message.”

Various schools in the region also honored Bryce by lighting their empty football fields nightly in the days after his death. Meanwhile in Owenton, Owen County High School’s cheerleading squad wore black and yellow — Carroll County’s school colors — on Aug.

17 to honor the teenager, who also served as a cheerleader at Carroll County.

In the pregame ceremony on Friday, Oldham reminded the crowd that although the tragedy is fresh in their minds and hearts now, that Bryce should ultimately be remembered for his strength and the sense of humor that brought joy to so many during his brief lifetime.

“As the reading says, ‘Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh,’ and Bryce left us with many laughs and smiles,” Oldham said. “We will honor Bryce’s strength and laughter each day, and especially each Friday, as we take the field to be like Bryce.”

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL

LODGINGS

Aug. 21, 2023

Lucas Gregory Hayes, 35, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class B misdemeanor. No bond.

Charlotte Renee Milano, 32, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine and Theft, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Emma Lynze Smith, 28, Madison, on a Jefferson County arrest warrant. Bond \$5,000 cash.

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Cynthia Rose Cox, 29, for served 7 days consecutive on a court-ordered sentence. No bond.

Ryan Christopher McFadden, 36, Madison, on a Jefferson County bench warrant. Bond \$75,000 cash.

Heaven Lynn Samuels, 19, Madison, on two Jefferson County arrest warrants (drug and paraphernalia possession). Combined bond \$2,000 cash.

Aug. 23, 2023

Aaron Jay Gray, 35, no address listed, on a Jefferson County arrest warrant and on a warrant for failure to appear. Combined bond \$3,000 cash.

Clinton D. Collins, 41, Madison, for Criminal Trespass, a Class A misdemeanor and Public Intoxication

Alcohol/Drugs, a Class B misdemeanor. Released on own recognizance.

William R. Dixon, 52, no address listed, on a Jefferson County warrant for failure to appear. Bond \$250 cash.

Trace C. Harris, 25, Madison, for Domestic Battery-2 Counts, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Wesley Ryan Johnson, 36, Deputy, Indiana, for Possession of a Schedule Narcotic, a Level 6 felony. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Ava Marie Lohrig, 26, Madison, for Official Misconduct-14 Counts, all Level 6 felonies; and Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

Jessica Lynn Monroe, 32, Madison, to serve 43 days on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

Aug. 24, 2023

Michael Wayne Eden, 38, Hanover, for Dealing in Methamphetamine, a Level 4 felony; Possession of methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony; Obstruction of Justice and Possession of a Syringe, both Level 6 felonies; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. No bond.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SUPERIOR AND CIRCUIT COURT

SENTENCINGS

Aug. 17, 2023

Kathryn Michelle Batchelor,

40, Aurora, Indiana, to an amended charge of Possession of a Narcotic Drug, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 80 days served and 460 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$889 in fees and court costs.

Ashli D. Kynion, 35, Hanover, to an amended charge of Criminal Mischief, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentence dto zero days jail \$231.76 restitution to the Jefferson County Sheriff and \$239 in fees and court costs.

Kenneth Glenn Ledbetter, 40, Madison, for Public Intoxication, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 4 days jail, served, plus \$239 in fees and court costs.

Charity Faith Lowe, 23, Madison, to an amended charge of Maintaining a Common Nuisance, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 730 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 8 days served and 722 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$489 in fees and court costs

Aug. 21, 2023

Craig Edward Newcomer, 34, Clayton, Indiana, for Sexual Misconduct with a Minor, a Level 4 felony. Sentenced to 8 years at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 228 days served plus \$185 in court costs.

Tammy Michelle Nicholson, 55, Hanover, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$189 in court costs.

Seanna Romans, 21, Madison, to an amended charge of Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 2 days jail, served, and \$389 in fees and court costs.

David Michael Pond, 52, Madison, for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated-

Endangerment, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 4 days served and 361 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$489.50 in fees and court costs.

Damon Gale Crook, 46, Hanover, for Knowingly Driving While Suspended-Prior Conviction Within 10 Years, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$189.50 in fees and court costs.

Jonathan Jose Garcia, 18, Madison, to an amended charge of Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated-Endangerment, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 4 days served and 361 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$489.50 in fees and court costs.

Kole Alan Morris, 28, Madison, to an amended charge of Driving While Suspended-Prior Conviction, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$189.50 in fees and court costs.

Michael Anthony Gay Jr., 23, Madison, to Operating While Intoxicated and Driving While Suspended, both Class A misdemeanors; and Leaving the Scene of Accident, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail on the Class A misdemeanors and 180 days jail on Class B misdemeanor, concurrent, with credit for 4 days served and 361 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$489.50 in fees and court costs and driver’s license suspended for 90 days.

Ashley Dawn Martinez, 29, Hanover, for Criminal Conversion, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus \$189 in court costs.

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WEATHER

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.
Sunset: 8:24 p.m.
Temperature: High 95, Low 73, Mean 84.0, Excess 9.4
Precipitation since last published: .0
Precipitation, August 2023: 2.68
Precipitation, 2023: 37.73
Barometer: 30.09, Rising
River Level at Clifty Creek: 421.36, Rising
Forecast: Saturday: Isolated thunderstorms High 87/Low 63; Sunday: Partly cloudy High 81/Low 60; Monday: Mostly sunny High 83/Low 60; Tuesday: Mostly sunny High 84/Low 55.

OBITUARIES

Lloyd Gilbert ‘Gil’ Neal

Lloyd Gilbert “Gil” Neal, 87, of Hoschton, GA, passed away peacefully at his home on August 11, 2023. Mary Jac, his devoted wife and the love of his life for 65 years, was at his side holding his hand.

Neal was born August 3, 1936 to the late Lloyd Gilbert Sr. and Bess Hampton Neal in Madison, Indiana.

He is survived by his wife Mary Jacqueline Neal of Hoschton, GA; children, Mary Elizabeth Neal (Peter Poulos) of San Diego, CA; Jim Neal of Weatherford, TX; Susan Neal Mueller (Doug) of Phoenix, AZ; Ann Neal Tanner (Darrell) of Braselton, GA, grandchildren Jackie Poulos, Michael Poulos, Adam Pearson, Lauren Mueller, Scott Mueller, Jeffrey Tanner, Sarah Tanner.

Gil met Mary Jac Curry in June, 1957; they were married on Dec. 30, 1957. He graduated from Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism in 1958, then served in the United States Air Force Reserves for six years. Gil was a third generation newspaper man starting his career with the family newspaper, The Madison Courier. Gil then worked for the Louisville Courier-Journal and the Arizona Republic. After receiving his Masters Degree in Journalism from the University of Arizona, he found his calling as a journalism professor at Central Washington University in Washington State.

Gil and Mary Jac moved to Hoschton from



the Pacific Northwest in 2011 to be closer to family and see a little more sunshine. Above all, Gil loved his family. He was a gifted pianist and loved jazz music. He was an ardent sports fan and followed baseball, football and basketball. He particularly enjoyed watching the Braves on TV this summer. Gil was known for his sense of humor, dry wit, and easy going personality. He will be greatly missed, but we are blessed by the special place he will always hold in our hearts.

Memorial Services will be September 15, at 2 p.m. at Hamilton Mill United Methodist Church in Dacula. Pastor Jason Mincey will officiate.

The family will receive friends at a reception following the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to HMUMC Food Pantry, 1450 Pine Rd., Dacula, GA 30019; Hospice of Northeast Georgia, 2150 Limestone Parkway, Gainesville, GA 30501; Help In Healing Home Foundation, Inc -The Village at Mayo Clinic, 5811E. Mayo Blvd. Phoenix, AZ 85054. Send online condolences to www.memorialparkfuneralhomes.com

Edward Wayne Ward



Edward Wayne Ward, age 77, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on October 12, 1945 in Jefferson County, Indiana. He was the loving son of Glen M. Ward and Anna Pauline Shoots King Ward Geisler. He was schooled in Jefferson County and lived his entire life there. His first marriage blessed him with a daughter, Melissa. On March 8, 1969 he was united in marriage to Jo Ann Tucker at the Hanover Baptist Church. This happy union was blessed with two daughters, Anna and Naomi, and a son, Edward, II. He worked at Reliance Electric for 33 years as a winder operator before retiring in 2001. After retirement, Ed would work as a seasonal employee for the Clifty Falls State Park in Madison for nine years. He was a member of the Cornerstone Baptist Church in Hanover and enjoyed fishing, watching sports, especially his favorite team, the Cincinnati Reds Baseball, and loved playing basketball when he was younger. Edward died on Monday, August 21, 2023, at his home in Madison, Indiana.

Edward will be missed by his loving daughters, Melissa Shouse and her husband, Jim of Shelbyville, KY, and Anna Holland and her husband Jason of Seymour, IN;

his son, Edward Wayne Ward, II and his wife Missy of Hanover, IN; his grandchildren, Samantha, Megan, Logan, Ambrose, Abby, Jade, Mendy, Anna, Eddie, and Stacie; his eight great grandchildren; his brother, Charles Geisler and his wife Mary Jo of Madison, IN; his sisters, Bonnie Davis of Madison, IN and Susanne Smith of Madison, Indiana; his brothers in law and sisters in law, Glenn W. Tucker, Jr., Dennis Michael Tucker, Jerry Tucker, Rev. Leon Turner, and Kathy Jo Brown; and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 47 years, Jo Ann Tucker Ward; his father, Glen M. Ward; his mother, Anna Pauline Shoots King Ward Geisler; his daughter,

Naoma Shelton; his grandson, Eddie Ray Ward, and his brothers, Robert King, Kenneth King, and his sister, Alma Bastin.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, August 26, 2023 at 5 p.m., by Pastor Mike Johnson at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Shelby Cemetery near Versailles, Indiana.

Friends may visit Saturday from 3 — 5 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cornerstone Baptist Church. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Dr. Melvin Earl Liter



Dr. Melvin Earl Liter (US Army, Lt. Col., retired), beloved Husband, Father, and Poppa, passed away August 17, 2023, in Lexington, KY, at the age of 78.

Mel earned his bachelor's from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy in 1968 and graduated magna cum laude with a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of the Pacific School of Pharmacy, Stockton, CA in 1984.

Mel's 20+ year distinguished Army career included tours of duty in Kentucky, Texas, Washington DC, California, Hawaii, and Missouri. He pioneered clinical pharmacy programs and was an adjunct professor at UoP and the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Many considered him the “Father of Clinical Oncology Pharmacy” in the Army. After the Army, Mel joined the faculty of the UK College of Pharmacy and worked

at the VA hospital for 13 years. He served in many national professional associations and editorial boards, receiving several fellowships and awards. He enjoyed square dance calling, auctioneering, watching westerns and mysteries, spending time with family, giving great hugs, and talking and joking with his cousins.

His parents were Cliff and Bernie Liter of Bedford, KY. Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Cherry Rodgers Liter; children, Michael Liter (Deborah), Scott Liter (Amanda); 6 precious grandchildren, Simon, Ian, Ashlyn, Lauryn, Eli, and Andrew; brother Field Wayne Liter (Linda), sister

Diane Liter Melvin; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Mel put his faith in Jesus Christ at a young age and often said he was ready and knew where he was going.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, September 23, 2023, at 3 p.m. at the Bedford Christian Church in Bedford, KY.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to: <http://s1.ag.org/liter> acc't #2903789 (Scott-Gayton & Amanda's Bulgarian ministry), or your charity of choice.

Care Cremation and Funeral Service is honored to be entrusted with final care.

DEATH NOTICES

Toni Ferguson, 74, of Versailles, IN, died Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at the Silver Memories Nursing Home in Versailles. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, IN, www.morgan-nay.com.

Mary Carol Horton, 62, of Madison, IN, died Wednesday, August 23, 2023, at the Norton King's Daughters' Health Emergency Room. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Sarah M. McCreary, 87, of Switzerland County, IN, died Tuesday, August 22, 2023. Funeral services will be Tuesday, August 29, at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, with burial at New Liberty Cemetery in East Enterprise, IN, www.haskellandmorrison.com.

Andrew Morrison,

37, of Madison, IN, died Monday, August 21, 2023, at the Norton King's Daughters' Health Emergency Room. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Paula Renee Begley Turner, 54, of Patriot, IN, died Wednesday, August 23, 2023, at her residence. Arrangements are pending at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, IN, www.haskellandmorrison.com.

Margaret Moore Caldwell Jack Wilhelm, 71, of Madison, IN, died Monday, August 21, 2023, at The Waters of Clifty Falls in Madison. Private funeral services will be conducted Thursday, August 24, at New Heart Church of God with private interment in the Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, IN. Arrangements by Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Sarah M. (Keith) McCreary

his wife, Terre of Vevay, IN and Jason McCreary of Bennington, IN; her grandchildren, Elizabeth Mefford and her husband, Mike and Jennifer Woffindale and her husband, Mark; her great-grandchildren, Declan McAlister and Brenna, Addison and Emma Mefford; her step-great-granddaughter, Kendra Mefford; her sisters-in-law, Martha Keith of Center Square, IN, Ruth Ann Keith of Rising Sun, IN and Barbara Keith of Vevay, IN and her several

nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents: James Wilford and Avis O. (Chase) Keith; her brothers: Denver, Albert Wayne, Hubert Wesley, Kirby, Paul Dean, Clifford, Leon, Wilford “Junior”, Larry, Roy “Red” and Jonas Keith; her sisters, Juanita Koons and Hazel Knaus; one infant brother and one infant sister.

Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m., Monday, August 28, 2023, at the Haskell & Morrison

Funeral Home, 208 Ferry Street, Vevay, Indiana 47043.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m., Tuesday, August 29, 2023, at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home.

Interment will follow in the New Liberty Cemetery, East Enterprise, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the New Liberty Cemetery. Cards are available at the funeral home or online at www.haskellandmorrison.com

Juanita Carol Chapman Helton

missed by her son, Eric Lee Duncil and his wife, Tonya Bowles of Lexington, IN; her grandchildren, Sidney Netherton, Tasha Roark (Jerry), Dalton Duncill, Christopher Bowles and Kimbra Duncil; five great grandchildren; her sisters, Betty Hart and Debbie Ledbetter

of Madison, IN; several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Hular B. Chapman; her mother, Dorothy Lee Norris Chapman, and her daughter, Kimberly Ann Duncil Netherton.

Juanita chose cremation with no

services to be held.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

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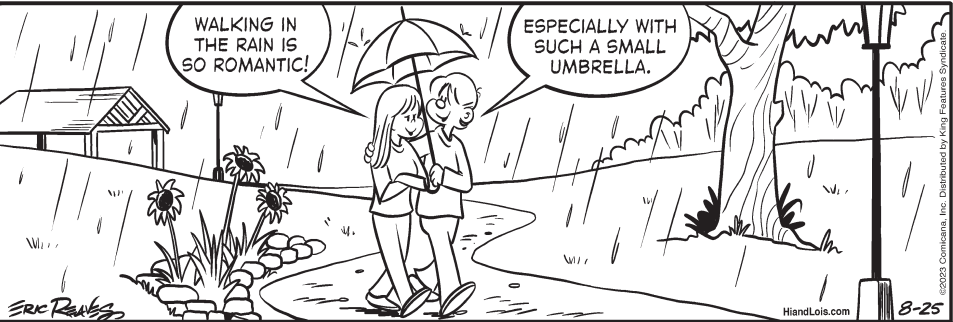
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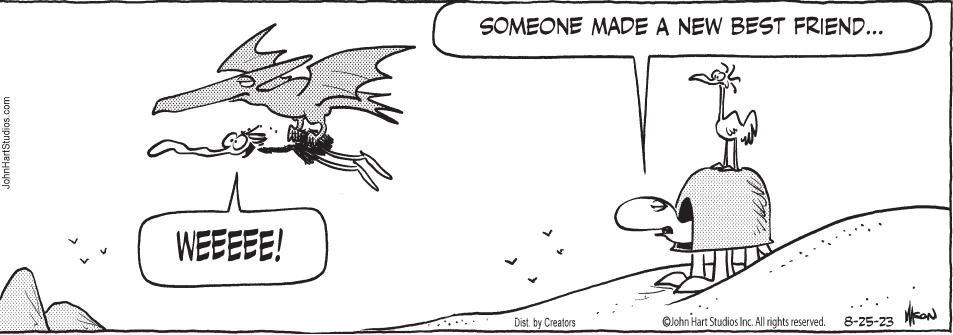
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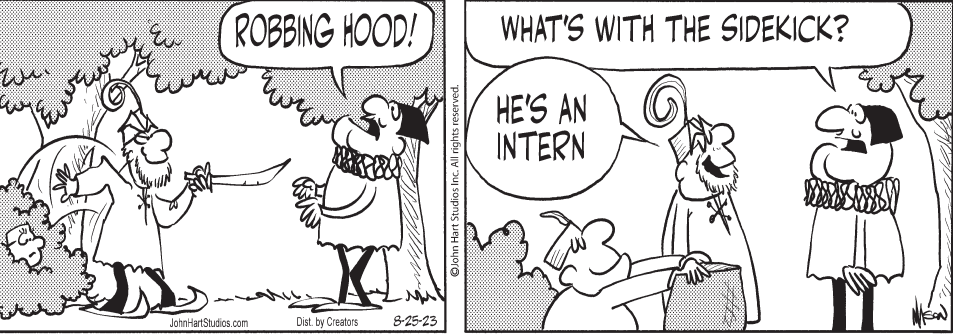
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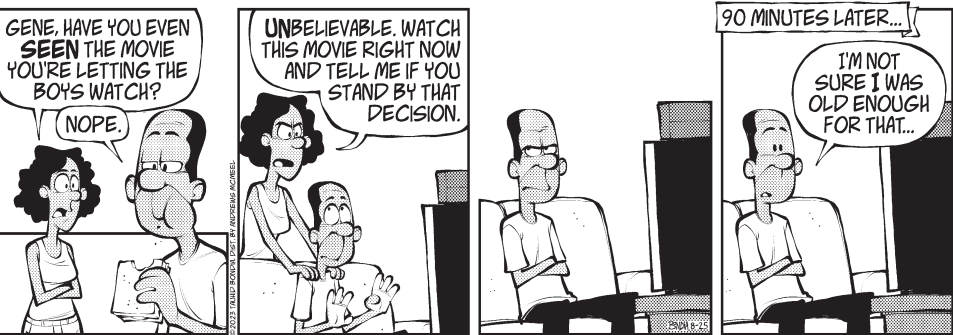
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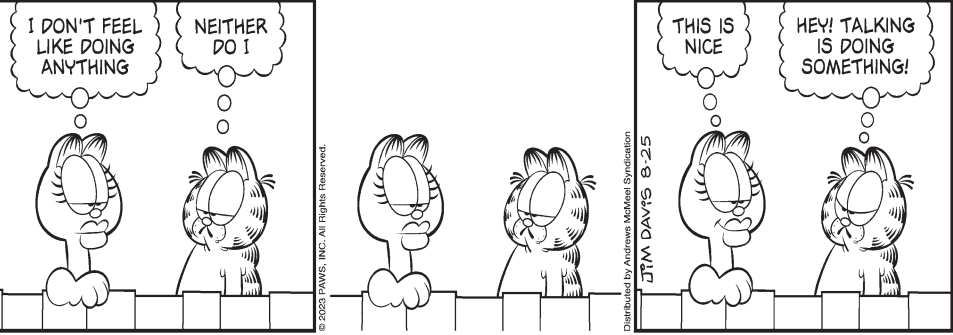
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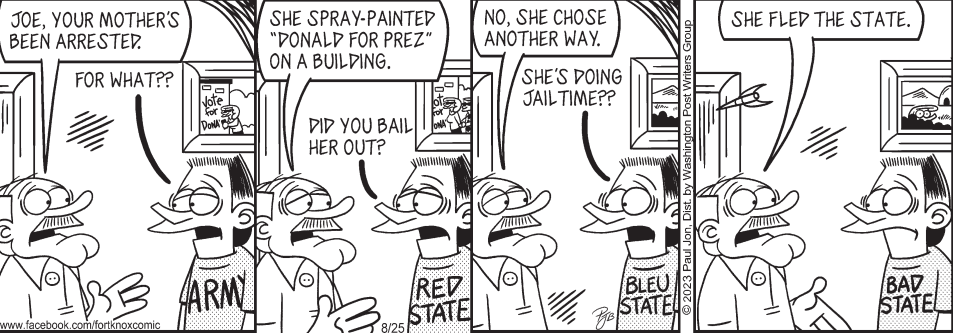
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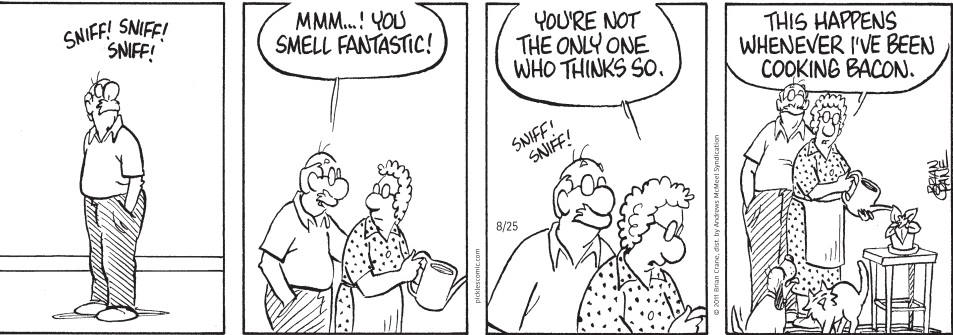
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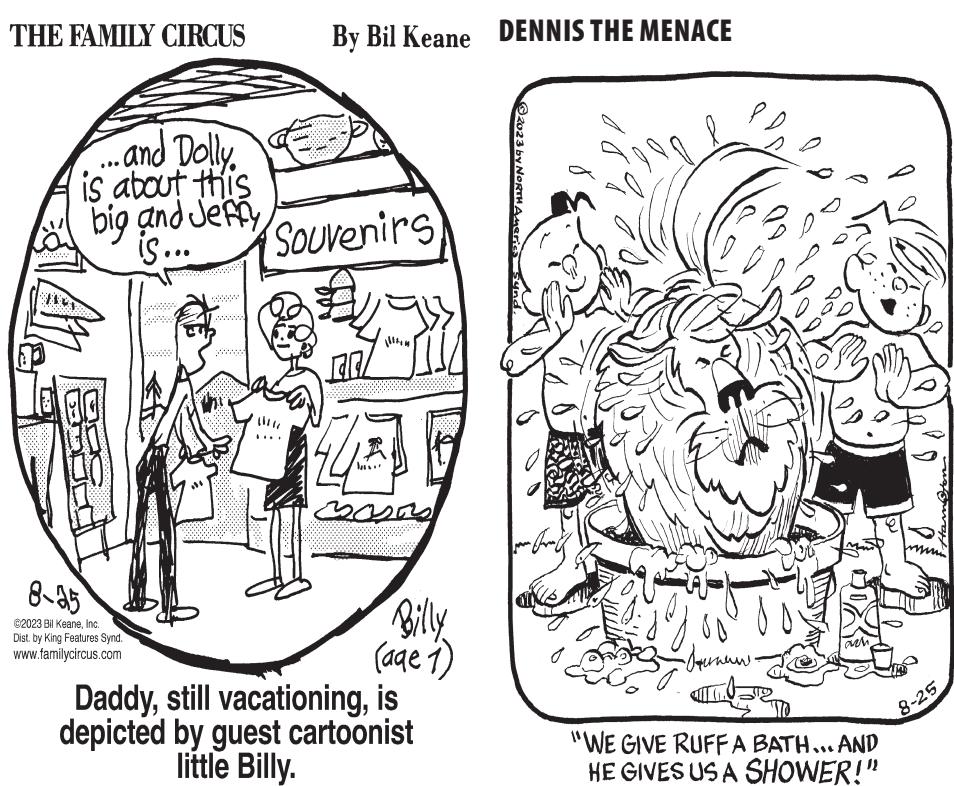
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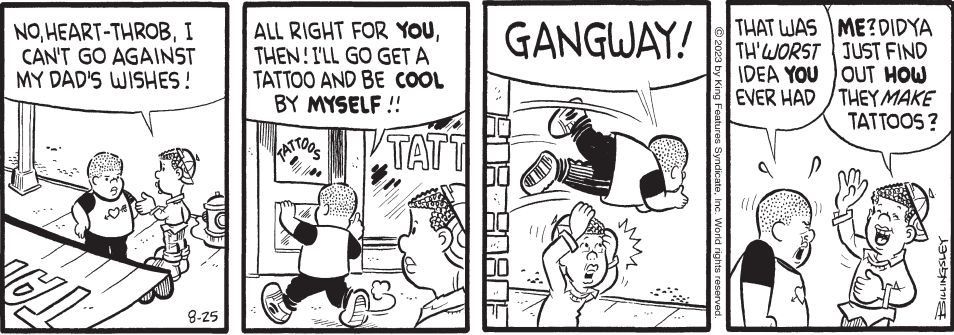
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:
On August 25, 1944, during World War II, Paris was liberated by Allied forces after four years of Nazi occupation.

On this date:
In 1718, hundreds of French colonists arrived in Louisiana, with some settling in present-day New Orleans.
In 1875, Capt. Matthew Webb became the first person to swim across the English Channel, getting from Dover, England, to Calais, France, in 22 hours.
In 1928, an expedition led by Richard E. Byrd set sail from Hoboken, N.J., on its journey to Antarctica.
In 1958, the game show "Concentration" premiered on NBC-TV.
In 1980, the Broadway musical "42nd Street" opened. (Producer David Merrick stunned the cast and audience during the curtain call by announcing that the show's director, Gower Champion, had died earlier that day.)
In 1981, the U.S. spacecraft Voyager 2 came within 63,000 miles of Saturn's cloud cover, sending back pictures of and data about the ringed planet.
In 1985, Samantha Smith, 13, the schoolgirl whose letter to Yuri V. Andropov resulted in her famous peace tour of the Soviet Union, died with her father in an airliner crash in Auburn, Maine.
In 2001, R&B singer Aaliyah was killed with eight others in a plane crash in the Bahamas; she was 22.
In 2009, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the liberal lion of the U.S. Senate, died at age 77 in Hyannis Port, Massachusetts, after a battle with a brain tumor.
In 2014, a funeral was held in St. Louis for Michael Brown, the Black 18-year-old who was shot to death by a police officer in suburban Ferguson.

In 2020, two people were shot to death and a third was wounded as 17-year-old Kyle Rittenhouse opened fire with an AR-15-style rifle during a third night of protests in Kenosha, Wisconsin, over the police shooting of a Black man, Jacob Blake. (Rittenhouse, who was taken into custody in Illinois the next day, said he was defending himself after the three men attacked him as he tried to protect businesses from protesters; he was acquitted on all charges, including homicide.)

Ten years ago: Syria agreed to a U.N. investigation into an alleged chemical weapons attack outside Damascus - a deal a senior White House official dismissed as "too late to be credible," saying the United States had "very little doubt" President Bashar Assad's forces used such weapons. Tokyo beat Chula Vista, California, 6-4 to win the Little League World Series in South Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Sixteen-year-old New Zealander Lydia Ko succeeded in defending her title at the Canadian Women's Open with a five-stroke victory over Karine Ichter.

Five years ago: Republican Senator John McCain of Arizona, who had spent years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam before a 35-year political career that took him to the Republican presidential nomination, died at the age of 81 after battling brain cancer for more than a year. After initially threatening Hawaii as a Category 5 hurricane, Tropical Storm Lane began to break apart as it veered west into the open Pacific; rainfall totals from the storm on Hawaii's Big Island approached four feet.

One year ago: A judge ordered the Justice Department to make public a redacted version of the affidavit it relied on when federal agents searched the Florida estate of Donald Trump to look for classified documents. Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered a major buildup of his country's military forces in an apparent effort to replenish troops that have suffered heavy losses in six months of bloody warfare and prepare for a long, grinding fight ahead in Ukraine. Regulators approved California's plans to require all new cars, trucks and SUVs to run on electricity or hydrogen by 2035.

Today's Birthdays:
Actor Tom Skerritt is 90. Author Frederick Forsyth is 85. Movie director John Badham is 84. Filmmaker Marshall Brickman is 84. R&B singer Walter Williams (The O'Jays) is 80. Actor Anthony Heald is 79. Rock singer-actor Gene Simmons is 74. Actor John Savage is 74. Country singer-musician Henry Paul (Outlaws; Blackhawk) is 74. Rock singer Rob Halford is 72. Rock musician Geoff Downes (Asia) is 71. Rock singer Elvis Costello is 69. Movie director Tim Burton is 65. Actor Christian LeBlanc is 65. Actor Ashley Crow is 63. Actor Ally Walker is 62. Country singer Billy Ray Cyrus is 62. Actor Joanne Whalley is 62. Rock musician Vivian Campbell (Def Leppard) is 61. Actor Blair Underwood is 59. Actor Robert Maschio is 57. Rap DJ Terminator X (Public Enemy) is 57. Alternative country singer Jeff Tweedy (Wilco) is 56. Actor David Alan Basche is 55. Television chef Rachael Ray is 55. Actor Cameron Mathison is 54. Country singer Jo Dee Messina is 53.

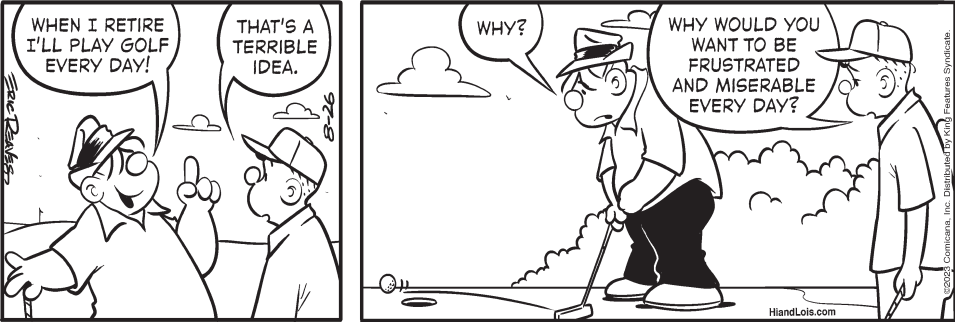
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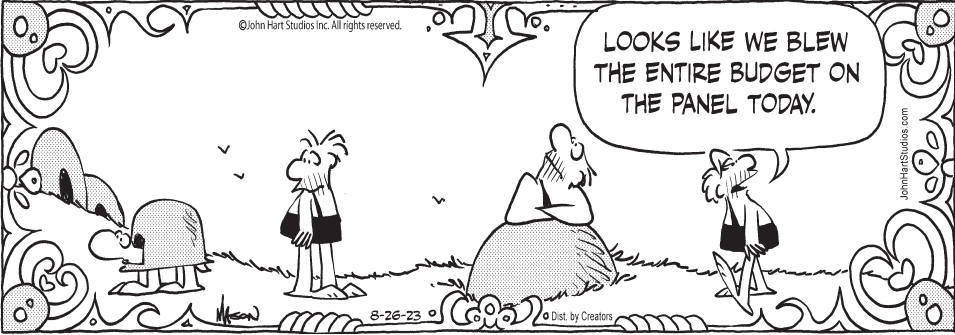
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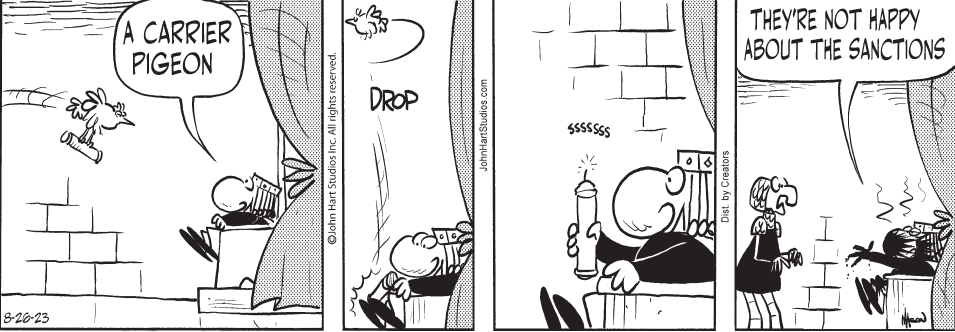
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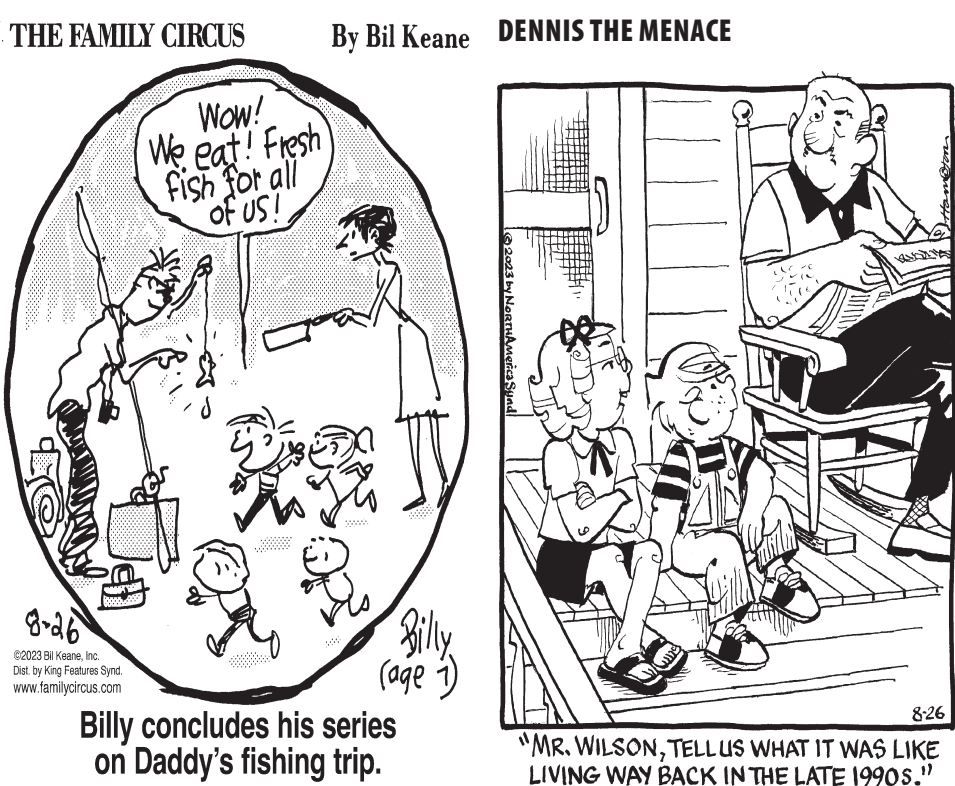
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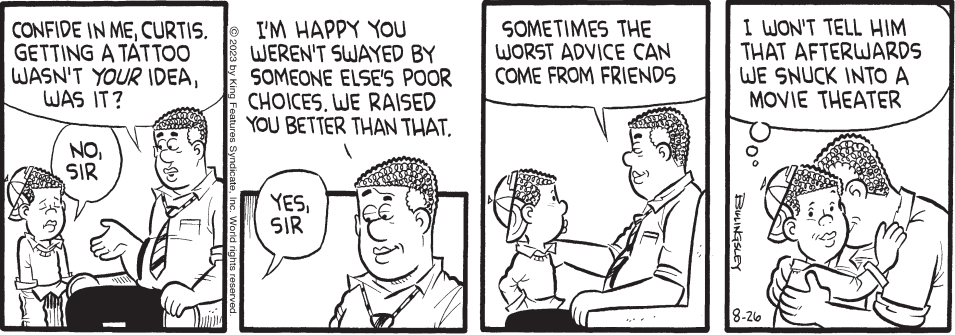
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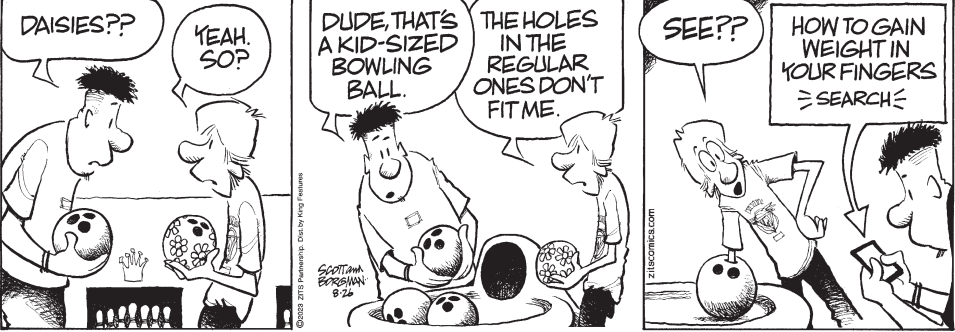
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 26, 1968, the Democratic National Convention opened in Chicago; the four-day event that resulted in the nomination of Hubert H. Humphrey for president was marked by a bloody police crackdown on antiwar protesters in the streets.

On this date:

In 55 B.C., Roman forces under Julius Caesar invaded Britain, with only limited success.

In 1910, Thomas Edison demonstrated for reporters an improved version of his Kinetophone, a device for showing a movie with synchronized sound.

In 1920, the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, guaranteeing American women's right to vote, was certified in effect by Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby.

In 1939, the first televised major league baseball games were shown on experimental station W2XBS: a double-header between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field. The Reds won the first game, 5-2, the Dodgers the second, 6-1.

In 1944, French Gen. Charles de Gaulle braved the threat of German snipers as he led a victory march in Paris, which had just been liberated by the Allies from Nazi occupation.

In 1957, the Soviet Union announced it had successfully tested an intercontinental ballistic missile.

In 1958, Alaskans went to the polls to overwhelmingly vote in favor of statehood.

In 1972, the summer Olympics opened in Munich, West Germany.

In 1978, Cardinal Albino

Luciani of Venice was elected pope following the death of Paul VI; the new pontiff took the name Pope John Paul I. (However, he died just over a month later.)

In 1985, 13-year-old AIDS patient Ryan White began "attending" classes at Western Middle School in Kokomo, Indiana, via a telephone hook-up at his home -- school officials had barred Ryan from attending classes in person.

In 2020, All three scheduled NBA playoff games were postponed, with players choosing to boycott in their strongest statement yet against racial injustice. (The games resumed three days later, after players and owners agreed to expand initiatives, many tied to increased voting awareness and opportunities.)

Ten years ago: President Barack Obama bestowed the Medal of Honor on Army Staff Sgt. Ty Carter, who'd risked his life to save an injured soldier, resupply ammunition to his comrades and render first aid during intense fighting in a remote mountain outpost in Afghanistan.

Five years ago: A gunman opened fire on fellow gamers at a video game tournament in Jacksonville, Fla., killing two men and wounding 10 others before taking his own life. More than 1,000 mourners gathered for the funeral of Mollie Tibbetts, the 20-year-old Iowa college student whose body had been found in a cornfield; a dairy worker suspected of being in the country illegally was charged in her death. Playwright Neil Simon, whose comedies included "The Odd Couple" and "Barefoot in the Park," died at age 91.

One year ago: An affidavit released by the FBI

showed that 14 of the 15 boxes recovered from former President Donald Trump's Florida estate contained classified documents, many of them top secret, mixed in with miscellaneous newspapers, magazines and personal correspondence. Authorities began distributing iodine tablets to residents near Ukraine's Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant in case of a radiation leak, amid mounting fears that the fighting around the complex could trigger a catastrophe.

Today's Birthdays:

Pop singer Vic Dana is 83. Former Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge is 78. R&B singer Valerie Simpson is 78. Pop singer Bob Cowsill is 74. Broadcast journalist Bill Whitaker is 72. Actor Brett Cullen is 67. Former NBA coach Stan Van Gundy is 64. Jazz musician Branford Marsalis is 63. Country musician Jimmy Olander (Diamond Rio) is 62. Actor Chris Burke is 58. Actor-singer Shirley Manson (Garbage) is 57. Rock musician Dan Vickrey (Counting Crows) is 57. TV writer-actor Riley Weston is 57. Rock musician Adrian Young (No Doubt) is 54. Actor Melissa McCarthy is 53. Latin pop singer Thalia is 52. Actor Meredith Eaton is 49. Rock singer-musician Tyler Connolly (Theory of a Deadman) is 48. Actor Mike Colter is 47. Actor Macaulay Culkin is 43. Actor Chris Pine is 43. Comedian/actor/writer John Mulaney is 41. Actor Johnny Ray Gill is 39. Country singer Brian Kelley (Florida Georgia Line) is 38. R&B singer Cassie (AKA Cassie Ventura) is 37. Actor Evan Ross is 35. Actor Danielle Savre is 35. Actor Dylan O'Brien is 32. Actor Keke Palmer is 30.

TAKING SHAPE



Mark Campbell
Playground installers were busy Wednesday digging post holes while installing new playground equipment at the City of Madison's Gaines Park, 628 Broadway in downtown Madison. The park improvements, which also include a new basketball court, picnic area and community garden, are scheduled to be completed by Labor Day in time for the annual Broadway School reunion on Saturday, Sept. 16.

POSTER

FROM PAGE A1

photography — most notably for his ability to capture scenes of nature, particularly butterflies and wildflowers, but also for various scenes throughout Madison and Jefferson County.

Amy Kasper said Bernie always had an interest in photography. After they married on April 8, 1989, she said Bernie used a point-and-shoot camera on their honeymoon at Gatlinburg to snap photos of the mountains. “He’s always had an eye for photos,” she said. But when his wife gave him a Canon SLR camera for his birthday 15 years ago, he took his passion for photography to the next level and truly blossomed and developed into a great photographer.

“He started using it, and he was really good,” said Amy, noting he initially used film cameras but transitioned to digital and developed a fondness for Nikon branded cameras. “Nikons was his love. He loved his Nikons,” she said.

What Bernie knew about photography was self-taught. “He spent hours online learning about the settings of the camera and what they do and how to use them,” she said. “He joined a lot of photography forums, putting his stuff out there for people to critique” and he used that feedback “to make himself better.”

The ability to teach himself to such a high level is a dedication and skill Amy said speaks to Bernie’s special talent. “He was a very smart man. He’s one of the smartest men I have ever known in my life. How many people could teach themselves something like that? But he did.”

Hinze agreed that it is “incredible” that Bernie’s photography was self-taught. “There are some things you can learn to be able to do a lot of art, but there’s a certain level that you just either have a good eye for it, or you don’t. And he obviously did have a good eye for it.”

By the time his son, Isaiah Kasper, was seven or eight years old, Bernie had begun to dive deeper into photography. Isaiah said he remembers his father always with a camera. “A lot of our hiking trips and nature adventures were centered around his photography. A lot of that has started my passion for nature and hiking” along with also pursuing photography.

“Butterfly photography is what I think was his best. His butterfly photography was unmatched with anything I’ve seen in the state, and up there with at least anything I’ve seen in the Midwest,” Isaiah said. “For photography purposes, he was an expert,” on learning about the various species of butterflies and when best to capture them. “The knowledge he had to know all the butterflies, when they’ll be out, the host plants, and so on and so forth. That was always impressive ... You had to capture the moment.”

Isaiah recalls one photo, in particular, of two giant swallowtail butterflies fluttering in the sky. “That was the perfect shot. He fell on his back to get it. A lot of people accused him of faking it, but I remember the day that he got that picture. He was so excited and he showed the raw image on his camera. It is my favorite picture that he’s ever taken.”

Monarch butterflies were Bernie’s favorite to photograph. “We released Monarch butterflies at his

funeral at the graveyard,” said Amy. “He was a wonderful man and I feel very blessed that I got to spend my life with him.”

The Chautauqua has printed 225 numbered limited edition 18-inch by 24-inch posters that will be available for \$40. Amy and Isaiah will utilize a stamp of Bernie’s signature to sign posters during the festival from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and 4 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30 and noon to 1 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 1 at the Chautauqua information tent. There will also be shirts available with the print that are navy with light gray and green ink. T-shirts will cost \$20, long-sleeve shirts \$25, crew neck sweatshirts \$35 and full zip hoodies \$40.

There will also be other Chautauqua merchandise available — hats for \$20, stickers for \$1 and canvas tote bags for \$10. Chautauqua post cards with four different images available will be \$2 each card, and coasters with four different images will be \$8 for a set of four, or \$2.50 each.

This year’s Chautauqua poster was sponsored by Arvin Sango with MPS Printing printing the posters.

Madison Chautauqua is coming off a successful event in 2022 in which Placer.ai data showed showed 37,500 visitors at last year’s event. It was announced last week that Sunshine Artist Magazine ranked the Madison Chautauqua No. 97 among 200 of the best shows in the United States in voting by artists.

“We like to have big crowds” at the Chautauqua, said Hinze, “but we like to know the artists are happy because then they come back.” Hinze said that is evidenced by the 60 artist increase over last year that will 224 artists exhibit at this year’s event.

Stakeholders hear how JDAI can improve juvenile justice

BY BOB DEMAREE

In an effort to improve how Jefferson County youths are dealt with in the juvenile justice system, Circuit Court Judge D.J. Mote brought together local stakeholders on Tuesday for an introduction into Indiana’s Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative (JDAI).

Jefferson County this year became one of 35 counties in Indiana to participate in the program, and Nancy Wever, director of the Indiana Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, was on hand to talk about the program along with Sadia Maqsood and Megan Horton, both from the Indiana Office of Court Services.

Mote said Jefferson County “applied to become a JDAI site because we want to improve the way that we handle youth involved in juvenile justice, using evidence based practices and proven methodologies that are designed to keep our kids out of trouble and on the right track.

“Kids in our system are the future just as much as the kids that are not in our system,” Mote said, “and we have to work together to raise kids who are prepared for adulthood and have the tools to be successful in life.”

Wever said the purpose of their work is not to critique what’s being done locally with juvenile detention. However, she said “it’s likely there are some kids in detention that if you had another option, you might choose that option ... it’s not about holding people accountable, but how do we connect them.”

Wever said research shows “that locking them up makes them worse. Yes, it’s necessary sometimes; there’s nothing else to do. But holding them in secure detention sometimes makes them worse. We want to help.”

Horton said how JDAI is utilized in Jefferson County will be determined by those already working with the youth locally. “It will be you all in partnership with your youth, your families, your stakeholders who will be best positioned to craft your strategies and responses that will best serve your community,” said Horton. JDAI involves “using data to empower your own decision-making and to inform the way you move forward.”

One program Mote said is near to being developed in Jefferson County is a detention program that is an alternative to school suspensions. “It’s a program when older youth are suspended

from high school, instead of staying at home and playing Xbox all day, they are required to attend an off-site classroom and they’ll receive school instruction in the morning so they don’t get behind in their education, and in the afternoons they will participate in community service,” he said.

JDAI is a collaboration between community stakeholders that Mote said “takes a new look at how we handle at-risk youth altogether, and addresses things like juvenile detention and works to reduce the number of kids that we have in detention.”

Mote said Jefferson County is currently in the planning stages of developing specific programs with a systems assessment that involves stakeholders from local school, law enforcement, the prosecutors office, probation, Department of Child Services, CASA of Jefferson County and more. The process will involve mapping out the path from before entering the system through the disposition or to its conclusion, then talking to each stakeholder individually.

Once information is gathered, he said the plan is to work towards making changes not only to address secured detention but “hopefully in the future to revamp how we handle juvenile cases altogether,” he said. That will involve using evidence based practices “designed to keep kids out of the system, and those who are in the system, to work towards a less restrictive path to success.”

Mote noted he has “a unique seat because in Circuit Court, every case that comes through involving a child, I see” that includes juvenile delinquency, juvenile CHINS (Children in Need of Services) and related cases that include guardianships. He said he hears from School Resource Officers, school counselors and teachers “that we can do better, and I know that we can ... I just want you to know that I have a group of people in my probation department that I believe are really dedicated, and this is important to me personally, and professionally. I think it is the court’s obligation to be responsive.”

Mote said the county’s probation department does all it can with the resources available to find solutions for the youth in the juvenile justice system but “sometimes we don’t have any available resources, and that’s what JDAI is all about, and it is opening those doors for us.”

Road work



Mark Campbell
A flagger holds traffic heading north on Michigan Road while paving takes place on the southbound lane of Michigan Road near the Shoppes at Sunrise Crossing retail development on Madison’s hilltop. One store in the strip mall is already open and three others are nearing completion as well as a new intersection that will serve that area.

RECORD

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Melinda J. Goldsmith, 43, Lexington, Indiana, for Theft-With Prior Conviction, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended, for non-reporting probation plus \$189 in court costs.

Aug. 22, 2023

Joshua L. Lock, 41, Madison, to an amended charge of Residential Entry, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 2 days served and 538 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$489 in fees and court costs.

James Cardwell, 29, Jeffersonville, Indiana, for Obstruction of Justice, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 1,080 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended to supervised probation, plus \$489.00 in fees and court costs.

Everett Lee Tucker, 62, Lexington, Indiana, to an amended charge of Maintaining a Common Nuisance, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 730 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 32 days served and 698 days suspended for supervised probation plus \$489 in fees and court costs.

Seth Daniel McFadden, 26, Vevay, Indiana, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 8 days served and 172 days suspended for non-reporting probation plus \$689 in fees and court costs.

Dakota McKenzie Gray, 28, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 180 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed and consecutive to prior sentencing plus \$689 in fees and court costs.

Daniel Wayne Steelman, Madison, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 40 days jail, served plus \$239.50 in fees and court costs.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY
Aug. 21, 2023

Loren Martin Zimmerman to Loren Martin Zimmerman and Juliann Fay Zimmerman, approximately 12 acres at 10837 North West Fork Road, Madison.

Brandon P. Sanders to RNRK Properties LLC, 1909 Clifty Drive, Madison.

Aug. 23, 2023

Taylor Brashears, Taylor B. Brashears, Jefferson County Sheriff Ben Flint and Sheriff of Jefferson County Ben Flint to Carrington Mortgage Services LLC, 6283 West State Road 256, Madison (\$79,520).

Tammy Stites Stewart, Tina Voris and Billy B. Stites to Tammy Stites Stewart, approximately 1.3 acres at 5000+ East Pleasant Ridge

Road, Madison.

Tammy Stites Stewart, Tina Voris and Billy B. Stites to Tammy Stites Stewart, 80 acres at 5481 East Pleasant Ridge Road, Madison.

James Mahoney to Tammy R. Stites-Stewart, Tammy R. Stites Stewart and Allen Wayne Stites, 1850 Cragmont Street, Madison.

David Poling and Diana Poling to David R. Poling Sr., two parcels totaling approximately 128.8 acres at 9859 East Poplar Rodge Road, Canaan and 9000+ East Melton Road, Canaan.

David R. Poling Sr. and Diana G. Poling to David R. Poling Sr., two tracts totaling approximately .60 acres at 2000 Michigan Road, Madison.

Gary L. Hopper and Bonnie L. Hopper (deceased) to D Wolf Enterprises LLC, 321 Mulberry Street, Madison.

Chenoweth L. Shaffer and Melynda C. Shaffer to Larry Northern Jr., 2253 Seneca Drive, Madison.

Right at Home Properties LLC to Brandon E. VanWye, 236

November Street, Hanover.

Brian Marshall to Chatnee M. Myrick, 1741 Taylor Street, Madison.

Larry Northern and Amanda Disbro to Dennis Mesterharm and Kelley Mesterharm, approximately 10.2 acres at 8691 West State Road 356, Lexington.

Derryveagh Development LLC to Be Dream Homes LLC, three tracts at 2261, 2271 and 2281 South Bluff Run Drive, Hanover.

Stephanie J. Knox to Kenneth W. Waltz and Peggy Roxanne Waltz, 414 Bellaire Drive, Madison.

Denise Chatham to Ralph E. Chatham and Denise Chatham to Ralph E. Chatham, approximately 5 acres at 11313 West Polk Road, Lexington.

Ralph E. Chatham and Denise Chatham to Ralph E. Chatham, approximately 10 acres at 11313 West Polk Road, Lexington.

Denise Chatham to Ralph E. Chatham, half interest in a combined 23.74 acres at 1754 South 1233 West, Lexington.

Jeremy D. Angus, Nancy L. McClure (deceased) and Nancy L. McClure (estate) to Danna G. Hysell, 3225 North Quail Drive, Madison.

Ralph E. Chatham and Denise Chatham to Ralph E. Chatham, approximately 5 acres at 11313 West Polk Road, Lexington.

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Human Relations Commission seeks framework for investigating complaints

BY BOB DEMAREE

A city ordinance authorizes Madison’s Human Relations Commission to “receive and investigate complaints” of discrimination, but members of that board have been grappling with how to do that, reaching a conclusion at Wednesday’s meeting that there is no framework in place to adequately perform those duties.

“We are good-hearted people who want to do this work. We don’t have the system in place right now to do it in a safe way and in a way that does everybody the full justice that we need,” said Katy Hadley, vice chair of the Human Relations Commission. “It’s not for any lack of good will on our part but we just don’t have the overarching structure and the legal framework to go forward in a way that we really need to.”

Over the last year, the Commission has been reaching out to other human relations commissions in communities throughout Indiana for guidance. At Wednesday’s meeting, Hadley reported on a conversation she had with Michael Shermis, Human Rights director for the city of Bloomington and Monroe County.

The Bloomington/Monroe County Human Rights Commission receives discrimination complaints and has extensive documentation that define what it can do and how it can be done. Hadley noted that “legal framework” oversees all of the work that is done with that commission.

“Basically, the sense I got is that they have a very clearly outlined system, they have definitions, they have legal support,” she said, adding that Shermis is a full-time staff person working with human rights and has an assistant. “So they literally have a staff that supports the nine volunteer commissioners that do the

work,” Hadley said. “So, the commission members do the work, but it’s always in tandem with a person who is paid and is trained and has a lot of experience.”

Hadley noted that Shermis said the Bloomington/Monroe members “are very able to do investigations and ask questions and talk with people but under that framework” and with the support of staff members.

Board member Shirley Kloefer remarked that there seems to be a difference between human rights and human relations. “Human rights just seems a little stronger than human relations,” she said, adding that the Madison commission “has really been relations, and we have been able to get things done because of human relations, not because of human rights, which to me, I see as a big difference.”

Jessica McAlister, the commission chair, said the Madison Human Relations Commission has been defined “to investigate discrimination of all kinds, and we’re under fair housing, but it doesn’t limit us to fair housing in our scope. That’s been the thing that we’re not limited in that scope, but we don’t have legal framework” that many other human relations commissions have.

Without that framework, Hadley said she “would be afraid just personally that I would mess up, I would not do the right thing. I wouldn’t follow the right procedures to treat both parties in the way that they deserved to be handled and treated.”

Kloefer, a longtime member of the commission, said the HRC in the past has taken on complaints in which amicable resolutions were achieved.

McAlister said that in today’s world that could be more chal-

lenging. “In 2023, the charged up feelings are different. It’s far more emotional and far more personal, and polarized than ever before, and that’s what also worries me,” she said.

“We either need more legal help or we need different language making us more educational, making us more outreach” to direct people to help and resources for a resolution, McAlister said. “We are not acting as those mediators. Right now it seems very legal, and a very scary position to be put in, not being legal people. Whatever happens from here, we don’t have the proper tools to do.”

The commission hopes to discuss the issue with Mayor Bob Courtney to determine how the Human Relations Commission should move forward.

“We either need more support or we need to look at changing the language to really reflect what is actually possible” based on the their findings and the framework that is set up for other HRCs, McAlister said.

The nine-member board is currently short four members, requiring all five remaining members to be in attendance in order to have a quorum. But all five — McAlister, Hadley, Kloefer, Roland Newman and Tony Schoeder — were at Wednesday’s meeting.

The commission must replace Season Jackson, whose term ended at the end of last year, and Bill Johnson, who resigned because he moved to Indianapolis. Meanwhile, Shane Brunner submitted his resignation this week and l’Esha Cornelius communicated that she cannot attend meetings. Suggestions were submitted to Tammy Acosta, the mayor’s secretary, with suggestions for possible appointees to replace those who have left the board.

JCBT hears grant requests for tourism

Funding sought doubles dollars available

BY BOB DEMAREE

With more than \$186,710 in funding requests and about \$93,000 available in its budget, Jefferson County Board of Tourism is facing some difficult decisions after seven organizations requested tourism grants at its special meeting on Monday.

Requests came from Historic Madison Inc. for \$37,000, Madison Area Arts Alliance for \$18,000, 5 to the 5 Vintage Hydroplane Event for \$15,000, Madison Area Chamber of Commerce for \$21,830, Madhop Music Festival for \$31,500, the Ohio Theatre for \$30,000 and Visit Madison Inc. with three separate projects totaling \$33,380.

Tony Novello, representing Madhop Music Festival scheduled for Nov. 4, said the organization is asking for “money to help us get to the next level” with the requested \$31,500. The biggest portion of the MadHop ask was \$15,000 for hop sessions that include providing entertainment at four venues plus sound equipment. Another \$6,000 would go towards radio promotions. The remaining amount would be for buskers to play in various locations outside, for developing social media and website improvements, and for printing yard signs to promote the event.

“That money will be a game changer for us. It’s very important for us to get to that next level,” said Novello. “This year is critical, where we’re going to open up our capacity a little more. We need to succeed this year. We don’t want to be a 300-, 600-, 900-person festival. We need to get bigger. That’s why we’re asking for this money.”

Board member Victoria Perry, general manager of the Eagle Cotton Mill Fairfield by Marriott Inn and Suites, said she has

seen growth with MadHop, noting last year there were many people who stayed at the hotel while in Madison for that event. “It is something I was excited to see that was drawing people to come to stay overnight,” she said.

Liz Ciganovich, membership and marketing director for the Madison Area Chamber of Commerce, requested \$21,830 for Soup Stew Chili Brew on Saturday, Oct. 14, for upgraded stages and marketing funds. Ciganovich said the event is about the business it brings to the downtown merchants and the support that it provides for local non-profit organizations. “If we had a little boost, we could sweeten it up a little bit” and provide an even greater benefit, she said. “The only way we’re going to get people to relocate to Madison is if they visit Madison.”

Visit Madison Inc.’s request included \$19,000 for the Night Before Christmas Candlelight Tour of Homes for marketing and advertising to expand to central and northern Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky. Erin Kindle, coordinator of the event, said data shows 50% of those attending the event are from out of town but the hope is “to get people from further out to see our cool little town.”

While Placer.ai data shows that the event has a \$1 million economic impact on Jefferson County, she said the event was established to also be a fund-raiser for the historic site partners but after expenses, they’ve only ended up with \$4,000 to \$4,500 for their efforts.

“We’re teetering right on the edge of making it worth their expenses to decorate their facilities, to hire their docents to do the tours,” she said.

Andrew Forrester, VMI executive director, asked for funding for two short-term test projects. One was \$3,350 for part-time staffing at the Main Street Comfort Station and the other was \$11,030 for trolley service.

Forrester said VMI “wants to give it a try” to staff the Comfort Station this fall for about four to five weeks, typically Friday, Saturday and Sunday, to test if that benefits visitors, particularly during busier times on Main Street.

Forrester said the trolley service would be a trial for just a few weeks to help determine its value. “We have talked a lot about the need for regular trolley service,” he said, noting the Visitor Center fields questions “every single day, it’s unbelievable how many times we get somebody that walks in and asks, where do I get tickets to ride the trolley? ... The demand is there.”

Forrester suggested the trolley can be used to promote historic properties and businesses throughout Madison. He said there have also been requests for rides from hotels.

“Giving this a try this fall before we decide to jump in” and possibly ask for a bigger investment for a new trolley, “we want to know what some of the numbers are and what the uptake would be.”

Perry noted that by both staffing the Comfort Station and providing the trolley service, “it’s enhancing the visitor experience, and if people are having a good visitor experience, it’s going to make them want to return, so that’s what I like about both of these.”

HMI requested \$37,000 for two projects — \$30,000 to hire a part-time digital content associate and \$7,000 to develop a digital tour for the Dr. William Hutchings Office.

John Staicer, HMI president and executive director, said the part-time associate would relieve Jessica Spiess, HMI’s director of programs, from the social media and digital content work she’s currently doing. The position would range from 10 to 20 hours per week over two years (\$15,000 annually). Staicer said HMI’s social media traffic is increasing, and he believes that “having someone we can dedicate

to that ... will allow us to target that” more than can currently be done.

Staicer said the virtual reality tour of the Saddle-tree Factory has been a “big hit” and HMI would like to do the same for the Dr. Hutchings medical museum. He said the Saddletree Factory virtual tour has reached people across the nation and around the world. “We’re getting a lot of people touching base with that either before or after a trip to Madison,” he said.

Kim Nyberg, executive director of Madison Area Arts Alliance, said part of its \$18,000 request is to improve operations that includes upgrading office equipment and another portion would enhance two public arts projects. “It’s a modest ask for a lot of product that will come out of that,” Nyberg said. Public arts improvements would be made at the art alley that’s between Bello’s Pizza and the Off Broadway Taproom that also connects to the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza. Additionally, it would provide lighting and signage at the city’s permanent “Flight” sculpture. Dale Rogers’ “Flight” exhibit of nine stainless steel birds will be displayed at Bicentennial Park through Oct. 23 but the city gets keep one of the birds.

Rebecca Craven, president of 5 to the 5 which hosts the Madison Vintage Thunder event Sept. 16-17 and is working towards the goal of establishing a National Boat Racing Heritage Center for the display of race boat and boat racing artifacts, said the request of \$15,000 would provide for a kids area during the Vintage Thunder event along with funds to improve the organization’s website and to promote the event that serves as a fund-raiser for the museum.

The Ohio Theatre submitted a \$30,000 funding request, but no representative was at the meeting to discuss that proposal.

JCBT will announce its decisions on funding requests at its regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 28.

Trimble to seek CDBG to fund community center

BY CINDY WARRICK
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Trimble County Fiscal Court approved a resolution authorizing application for a Community Development Block Grant to acquire the Morgan Community Center from the town of Bedford.

The project will maintain community center programming for low- and moderate-income residents of Trimble County through property acquisition and energy efficient upgrades. Judge-Executive John Ogburn noted that all costs related to the project, including any overruns, will be the responsibility of Trimble County Fiscal Court.

The amount of the grant application is \$750,000, which will include \$290,000 to purchase the building, approximately \$200,000 for remodeling and approximately \$150,000 for a parking lot.

The Town of Bedford will continue to lease office space in the building until such time as they acquire and move into their own facility.

Fiscal Court also approved a tax reduction for the coming year from .077 per \$100 valuation to .072 per \$100. The motor vehicle tax will be reduced from .088 per \$100 valuation to .085 and the fire tax will remain the same at .03 per \$100 valuation.

The court also conducted the “first reading” of an ordinance relating to Trimble County Road Safety which would give road emergency declaration powers to either the County Judge-Executive or Emergency Management Director after consultation between two or more of the following: Trimble County EMA Director, Trimble Road Barn Supervisor, State Highway Road Supervisor, Trimble County Sheriff, Trimble EMS

Director, Trimble Fire Department Chiefs and/or the Judge Executive.

Following such consultation, media outlets and governmental agencies within the county and school districts can be notified concerning snow or other weather-related road emergency level changes.

Road levels were defined as: LEVEL ZERO — normal operation; LEVEL ONE — hazardous road conditions from blowing/drifted snow, storm debris on roadways, icy or flooded conditions where driving caution is advised; LEVEL TWO — Level one conditions above and only motorist whose travel is absolutely necessary should be on the roadways. Employers should be contacted to check if necessary to report to work; LEVEL THREE — all county roadways are restricted to emergency personnel, travel for work, provisions, medical supplies or medical treatment. Essential travel only is advised.

Violators are subject to prosecution by law enforcement. In addition, when and where 2 inches or more of snow has fallen, it will be required that vehicles not be parked on streets or roadways to impede removal of snow or ice.

Trimble County residents are urged to sign up for Trimble County Hot Alerts which will provide updates and information as it occurs. Hot Alerts a will come in the form of mobile phone calls where a voice or text message is left. Hot Alerts are currently in force for weather related events such as storms, heat advisories, accidents or road hazards on county roads, etc. Information on how to sign up for Hot Alerts will be available at the Emergency Services Booth at the upcoming Apple Festival.

conduct of any kind by our members. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office, Jefferson County Prosecutor’s Office, or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous.”

“When I ran for this office I promised to strive for transparency among other standards,” said Sheriff Ben Flint. “While typically we do not identify arrestees prior to conviction it is a different situation when it is an individual working in the public trust.”

JAILER

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Det. Yancy Denning began an internal investigation on Aug. 15, in conjunction with the Jefferson County Prosecutor’s Office, which led to the arrest of Lohrig eight days later.

“The Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office holds its staff to the highest standards of integrity and professionalism,” said a statement issued by the sheriff’s office. “We do not tolerate criminal

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EVENTS

Madison Area Arts Alliance
The SPOT, 326 Mulberry St.
Friday, Aug. 25, 5-8 p.m.
Come see the work of artists Jane Vonderheide and Patty Cooper Wells on Friday, Aug. 25, 5-8 p.m., at the SPOT, 326 Mulberry St., the home of the Madison Area Arts Alliance.

Sidewalk Book Sale
Madison Jefferson County Public Library
420 W. Main St., Madison
Saturday, Aug. 26, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Friends of the Library will hold a Sidewalk Sale for books at the Madison Public Library.

Moose Riders No. 765 Poker Run
Saturday, Aug. 26 at Moose Lodge, in downtown Madison
The Moose Riders No. 765 is hosting a Poker Run on Saturday, Aug. 26, to benefit CASA of Jefferson County and Kindness of Jefferson County. All Jeeps, cars, trucks and cycles are welcome. The run will start and return at the Moose Lodge. Registration opens at 11 a.m. with kickstands up at noon. Entrance fee is \$20 for a single and \$25 for a couple. Includes meal.

“Wheels on the Water”
Sunday, Aug. 27
Vaughn Drive in Madison
Thornton’s Bike Show “Wheels on the Water” will be Sunday, Aug. 27, for showcasing motorcycles on Vaughn Drive in Madison. Entry fee is \$15 for bikes to be judged. All proceeds benefit CASA of Jefferson County. Registration is at 10 a.m. with the show starting at 11 a.m.

Music at the Lanier Mansion
Downtown Madison
Sunday, Aug. 27, 6-8 p.m.

Madison Community Band and Madison Consolidated High School Band will perform on the grounds of the Lanier Mansion as part of the Music at the Mansion concert series. Performances are free for all ages.

Guarding Your Treasures
Preservation of Family History Collections
Workshop Thursday, Sept. 7, 6-7 p.m.
Learn how to preserve your historic family treasures at a workshop for adults to discuss techniques for the handling and storage of photographs, scrapbooks and printed materials. Cost \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors with 25% discount for Indiana State Museum members.

Community Health Fair
Hunter Hall, Crystal Beach Pool House
400 West Vaughn Drive, Madison
Saturday, Sept. 9 — 9 a.m. to noon
The Healthy Lifestyles Team of the Healthy Communities Initiative of Jefferson County is sponsoring a second annual community health fair on the the second floor of the Crystal Beach Pool House which is ADA accessible by elevator. There will be blood pressure and other health screenings and health resources as well as an opportunity to discover the various health services and providers available in our community. The event is free and open to the public with giveaways and door prizes. Organizations that wish to participate or persons with questions should contact Heather Foy at 812-801-0175 or email heather.foy@girlsontherun.org

BRINDEL

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silver Peavey drum kit with one cymbal, and I was off and running!

“In my early 20s, back about 11 years ago, I started playing with Matt Barringer around the local area, with him singing mostly country songs. We played on the sidewalks in Madison, just to practice and learn the songs, and then some gigs at Harry’s Stone Grill and The Boneyard. But then I remember being so excited when Joey G called us and gave us a chance. We played there every Wednesday for awhile.

“Then, probably the high point of our local playing days, we got called to play Regatta on the river, either as the headliner or the opener, I can’t recall. But I felt like we’d hit the jackpot! We started getting more gigs and things were going great ... but then Matt decided to move to Nashville to pursue music down there. I thought that would be the end of my playing career.

“But then about a year later, he called me to come down and join him, playing all the Nashville joints like Tootsies and the rest. I can honestly say I cut my musical teeth down there, learning so much from all the great players who inhabit that town.

“Eventually we gravitated back to this area, and we formed a band with Matt, me, Kevin Wysong and a guy named ‘Log Truck’ on bass! We played Regatta again, and we packed the VFW a bunch of times.

“Around that time, I started hanging out with Rusty, traveling to his shows as a kind of roadie

and merch guy. But eventually he asked me if I would like to try drumming with him and I jumped at the chance. He gave me his CDs and I learned his originals, as well as the many covers he does.

“Rusty is a pro and a great teacher. He has taken my drumming to the next level and really boosted my music career. These days it’s not unusual to play three or four nights a week, in Louisville and Indy and Columbus and all over the region. Plus we’ve been doing a couple weeks up in Put-In Bay, Ohio, every summer.

“Music is my passion, I guess you could say. And it’s pretty much a lifestyle. If you are going to do it right, you have to let it consume you a little bit. I have a wonderful family to support, and I’m just starting a new job at Royer, which I really appreciate. But music will always be a big and important part of my life.”

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK
Well, Ribberfest was a blast this past weekend, as always. Well run event, great music, and a fun mix of locals and visitors. We moved here 28 years ago, and I’m pretty sure we’ve been to every single one of the 21 Fests. We have evolved our attendance style somewhat, where we used to go down and pretty much camp out for the duration, now we pop in and out more like a buffet, sampling the acts that look tasty. If you haven’t been a festival goer in the past, please consider buying tickets next year and at least checking out a few of the bands. Our support of this valuable event is so important for its survival. Now, looking out to this coming weekend, I’m seeing

SIXTEEN opportunities for free live music between Thursday and Sunday, plus a couple of karaoke nights thrown in for good measure. If you only go to one, make it Maria Carrelli at Lytle Park on Friday at 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. She’s the real deal!

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

THIS WEEK IN MUSIC

Thursday, Aug. 24
Rivertown Grill — Open Mic w/Fred Elam
The Central — Karaoke

Friday, Aug. 25
Live Lunch at Lytle Park — Maria Carrelli (11:30 a.m.)
The Lighthouse — L&L Karaoke
The Central — Lickety Split
Riverboat Inn — Joe & Deano
Rivertown Grill — Strange Brew
First Street — Steve Hickman
The Drake — Jimmy Davis

Saturday, Aug. 26
Madison Farmers Market — Vaguely Familiar
First Street — Frank & Erik
The Drake — Gary Brown
The Central — Dusty Bo & The Contraband
The Lighthouse — DJ Mark Lewis
Rivertown Grill — Crossfire
Thomas Family Winery — Dawson Hill Trio
Taproom — Jordan Wilson
Coalition
Sunset Grill (Warsaw, Ky.) — Joe & Deano

Sunday, Aug. 27
Rivertown Grill — Joe & Deano
Lanier Mansion — Madison Commmunity & High School bands (6 p.m.)

DG

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memorandum of understanding by Rafferty Development LLC to renovate and construct a DG Market (Dollar General Market) on the property at 120 East Second St. that has been vacant since Ruler Foods closed its grocery on March 31, 2018. But for the transaction to move forward, corporate approval was needed by Dollar General.

Courtney is attending an Accelerate Indiana Municipalities (AIM) conference this week in French Lick, and that is where he received a phone call Wednesday from Rafferty providing official notification of Dollar General’s approval of the DG Market in downtown Madison. He said the call came just moments after hearing a speech by Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb at the AIM conference, where Courtney as president of the

Indiana Conference of Mayors has assumed a greater role this week.

He said the grocery store is “not only responding to a need of the community but is also contributing to an overall plan at the same time” to bring economic development to Madison. “This is part of a plan to execute a vision” that has included river-front improvements and the US 421 gateway to “bring major growth and investment” to that corridor.

Courtney noted that “years of work” have been committed into bringing another grocery store to downtown Madison, including purchasing the grocery store property and building in February 2021 at a cost to the city of \$525,000 — the same agreed upon purchase price as Rafferty Development LLC basically repays the Madison Redevelopment Commission for its investment in the property.

“Not only has our vision come true, but we are bringing a national retailer

with a strong distribution supply chain” that will continue the economic development growth in downtown Madison, Courtney said.

He said there were no conditions for approval of the DG Market by corporate Dollar General which he says will become “a one-of-a-kind DG Market” in which the city is also contributing to site improvements that will develop the grocery store parking lot and complement the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza with the same architectural design and appearance to also feature public art.

The property was been a strategic space of activity through much of the city’s history. In 1849, the Madison Hotel, designed by architect Francis Costigan, was built and opened on March 27, 1850, with a huge ball and dinner. The hotel later had various other uses until it was demolished in 1949, and a Kroger grocery was built on the site. In 1979, Kroger moved to Madison’s

hilltop and a JayC Foods Store grocery took over the building in 1980 and remained there until closing on Jan. 29, 2011. The space was then revamped as a Ruler Foods that was there from Feb. 8, 2011 until March 31, 2018.

Rafferty also owns the building that houses the

Dollar General at 408 Jefferson St. He said at the time of the purchase agreement in June that the future status of that location remains unknown. Courtney said that is still the case, but it will remain open until the DG Market opens with a long-term decision still to be deter-

mined on the Jefferson Street property. For many years, there was an A&P Grocery in that location that appears in the background of a scene from the classic 1958 movie “Some Came Running” in which actors Frank Sinatra and Shirley MacLaine are getting off a Greyhound bus.

Inflation, Longevity, and Market Volatility



Layin’ it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad
Retirement Planning/
Wealth Management

In the ever-shifting economic landscape, modern-day retirees face a trio of formidable adversaries — inflation, longevity, and market volatility. While these factors are unavoidable realities of the financial world, understanding them and deploying effective strategies to mitigate their impact is critical. One such powerful tool in the retiree’s arsenal is an annuity.

Know Your Enemies

Inflation is the increase in the cost of goods and services over time, gradually eroding the purchasing power of your retirement savings. It can be particularly damaging for those on fixed incomes, as the value of their money decreases while the cost of living continues to climb.

Longevity is a paradoxical enemy, reflecting the happy fact that we are enjoying longer, healthier lives. However, this increased lifespan brings the challenge of ensuring our retirement savings last

as long as we do.

Market Volatility is the fluctuation in market prices, which may lead to significant losses in portfolio value. This risk is particularly relevant during retirement because you may not have the opportunity to recover from a consequential loss, leaving the retiree in a precarious financial position.

Battling Inflation

Annuities may help protect retirees from inflation in two ways. First, some annuities may offer inflation protection as a feature, meaning the payout may increase over time to keep pace with rising costs. Second, deferred annuities allow one to invest a sum of money today to receive payouts in the future. The longer the deferral, the higher the payouts, providing a potential hedge against inflation.

Mitigating Longevity Risk

An annuity has the power to significantly mitigate the essential fear of outliving one’s savings. Lifetime annuities provide a guaranteed income stream for the remainder of the retiree’s life, regardless of how long they live. This annuity type effectively transfers longevity risk from the retiree to the insurance company, providing peace of mind and financial security.

Dampening Market Volatility

Annuities, particularly fixed annuities, may offer a safeguard against market volatility. Unlike direct market investments, fixed annuities guarantee a certain return on the initial investment, independent of market performance. This

consistent income stream may provide stability and predictability in retirement finances, regardless of market fluctuations.

However, it’s essential to remember that while annuities offer valuable benefits, they aren’t a one-size-fits-all solution. They have surrender charges for early withdrawal and may lose partial access to your capital.

Conclusion

Retirement should be a time of relaxation and enjoyment, a reward for years of hard work. But the triple threats of inflation, longevity, and market volatility may cast a shadow over this golden period. Annuities may serve as effective shields, offering protection and a measure of certainty in uncertain times.

With an annuity, retirees may help ensure a steady income stream, regardless of how the markets perform or how long they live. It’s like an insurance policy for your retirement, allowing you enjoy your golden years with the peace of mind that your finances are secure.

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Norton King’s Daughters’ Health will host our 25th annual Run the Falls 5K on Saturday, Sept. 30, at Clifty Falls State Park, Madison, Indiana. The paved 3.1-mile course is open to walkers and runners of all ages. Strollers are welcome. Awards will be presented to the top finishers in each age group. Cost is \$25 and includes a long-sleeve tech shirt for those who register by Sept. 17.

Sept. 30, 2023
5K begins at 8:15 a.m.
Registration opens at 7 a.m. on race day
Clifty Falls State Park

Parking, registration and finish line activities will be at the Clifty Falls State Park pool.

Proceeds benefit Norton KDH Girls on the Run.
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Learn more and register at **KDHMadison.org/RunTheFalls**.



NORTON KING’S DAUGHTERS’ HEALTH

VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

Rebels hold on for 3-2 win over Salem

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern girls volleyball gutted out a five-set win over Salem at home on Tuesday.

The two teams traded set wins before the Rebels finally put away the victory 25-13, 14-25, 25-15, 22-25, 15-12.

“We definitely had our ups and downs in this one, as the scores indicate,” Southwestern coach Chris Johnson said. “Serve receive was the biggest roller coaster. When we passed well we were able to be more aggressive and run our offense better. We had too many hitting errors tonight but we were able to get big points when we needed them. Riley Scroggins came up huge at the end of the fifth set to help us seal the win.”

Scroggins had 12 kills on the night while Jenna Owens had nine kills, 14 digs and two aces on 8-for-9 serving. Harlee Hill had eight kills, one ace on 19-for-19 serving, 24 digs and 13 assists.

Southwestern, now 5-2 on the season, travels to Crothersville on Thursday. The Rebels host Hauser on Friday and head to Charlestown on Tuesday.

MADISON SWEEPS CORYDON IN 3

Madison girls volleyball ran its win streak to three with a three-set

sweep of Corydon Monday on the road.

The Cubs, who have won nine-straight sets, won the match 25-15, 25-8 and 25-16.

Kallie Eder had eight kills, three blocks and 15 digs for Madison while Lilly Canida had eight kills, a block, two aces and 10 digs. Maylie Skinner had six kills, a block and 13 digs, Hannah Dart had 27 assists and nine digs, and Audrey Miller had 11 digs.

Madison, now 3-1 on the season, hosted Charlestown on Thursday and hosts the Madison Invitational on Saturday. The Cubs then host South Ripley on Monday and Silver Creek on Tuesday.

TRIMBLE SWEEPS WILLIAMSTOWN

Trimble County volleyball made quick work of Williamstown, rolling to a 25-10, 25-21 win at home on Tuesday.

Bree Turner had six kills, five digs and nine assists for Trimble, Anna

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Southwestern’s Jenna Owens (2) and Riley Scroggins (13) team up to block a shot by Salem’s Bristin Stone during Tuesday’s volleyball match in Hanover.

David Campbell



Madison tennis falls to Greensburg

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison boys tennis dropped a close match to Greensburg on Tuesday in an event played at the Stucker Courts at Shawe Memorial High School.

The Cubs got wins at No. 2 singles, where Mitchell Cammack posted a 6-4, 6-3 victory, and at No. 1 doubles where Abe Reetz and Bodie Harsin prevailed in a marathon match 6-6 (7-0), 2-6, 6-2.

Two of Madison’s three losses could easily have gone the other way. In singles, Kaid Fink lost 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 at No. 1 and Noah Meacham lost 6-0, 6-2 at No. 2. In doubles, Tucker Whitaker and Briar Boldery fell 6-1, 3-6, 6-4 at No. 2.

“Madison fell short of yesterday’s match but it was a great learning experience for all of us,” Madison coach Jeremy Huff said.

Madison traveled to Columbus East on Thursday, hosts Trinity Lutheran on Monday and hosts Salem on Tuesday.

Madison’s Abe Reetz (background) returns a shot as partner Bodie Harsin watches during their No. 1 doubles match against Greensburg at Shawe on Tuesday. The pair claimed the win but the Cubs lost 3-2 as a team.



David Campbell

GIRLS SOCCER ROUNDUP

No. 10 Switzerland pounds Carroll 10-1

Shawe girls drop close 3-2 match on Tuesday

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Emma Parsons scored four goals and Halle Archer had three goals and two assists as Class A No. 10 Switzerland County pounded Carroll County 10-1 in girls soccer Monday in Vevay.

Four different players scored in the game for the Pacers. Kenzie Taylor had two goals and an assist while Courtney Higgins had a goal and Avy Burkholder added an assist.

Allena Weaver stopped four shots in goal for the Pacers.

Switzerland, now 4-0 on the season, had its game at Southwestern on Tuesday postponed by high heat until Sept. 26. The Pacers travel to Class 2A No. 19 Silver Creek on Saturday and head to Scottsburg on Monday.

Carroll, now 0-5 on the season, was to travel to Shawe on Wednesday and visit Franklin County on Saturday. The Panthers then travel to Owen County on Monday.

SHAWE DROPS CLOSE MATCH

A short-handed Shawe girls soccer team battled but ultimately fell short, 3-2 at home to Rising Sun on Tuesday.

Already down a starter who was injured last week, Shawe lost another starter on defense early in the match. But Tarcila Garcia and Sara Martin each scored goals and Jenna Flint had two assists for the Hilltoppers, who were out-shot 15-11.

“Even with the heat and short a few starters, the girls never gave up and battled to the end of the game,” Shawe coach Ron Lanham said. “We had some awesome play by reserve goalie Odyssey Felix and great defense by Jennifer Avalos and Katie Thevenow.”

Once again playing short-handed, Shawe hosted Carroll County on Wednesday in Madison and lost 5-0.

Now 2-3 on the season and 1-1 Ohio River Valley Conference, Shawe is not scheduled to play again until Sept. 5 when they travel to Class A No. 10 Switzerland County.

MADISON WINS TWO GAMES

Madison girls soccer hammered South Ripley 8-0 at home on Monday and crushed Austin 10-0 at home on Wednesday.

Madison, now 3-2, hosts Charlestown on Saturday and travels to South Dearborn next Wednesday.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

FRIDAY, AUG. 25 FOOTBALL Madison at South Dearborn, 7 p.m. Switzerland Co. at Gallatin Co., 7 p.m. Carroll Co. at Kentucky Country Day, 7:30 p.m. Trimble Co. hosts Bellevue, 7:30 p.m. SOCCER Southwestern boys host Jac-Cen-Del, 5:30 p.m. VOLLEYBALL Southwestern hosts Hauser, 7 p.m.	SATURDAY, AUG. 26 CROSS COUNTRY Madison boys, Taylor Invite, 9 a.m. Madison girls, Salem Invite, 9:30 a.m. SOCCER Madison girls host Charlestown, 10 a.m. Switzerland Co. girls at Silver Creek, 11 a.m. Carroll Co. boys host Anderson Co., 2 p.m. Carroll Co. girls at Franklin Co., 6 p.m. Hanover men at Indianapolis, 6:30 p.m.	VOLLEYBALL Madison, Madison Invite, 9 a.m. Trimble Co. vs. Williamstown, Gallatin Co. at Gallatin Co., 10 a.m. SUNDAY, AUG. 27 SOCCER Hanover women host Denison, 5 p.m. MONDAY, AUG. 28 GOLF Trimble Co. at Henry Co., 4:30 p.m. SOCCER Southwestern girls host Rising Sun, 5:30 p.m.	Carroll Co. boys at Owen Co., 6 p.m. Shawe boys at Christian Academy-Indiana, 6 p.m. Switzerland Co. girls at Scottsburg, 6 p.m. Carroll Co. girls at Owen Co., 8 p.m. TENNIS Madison boys host Trinity Lutheran, 5 p.m. VOLLEYBALL Madison hosts South Ripley, 6:30 p.m. Carroll Co. at Williamstown, 7 p.m.
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BOYS SOCCER ROUNDUP

No. 20 Rebels roll over South Ripley

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Garrett Johnson scored three goals and Southwestern limited South Ripley to just four shots as the Class A No. 20 Rebels rolled to a 6-1 win in boys soccer at home on Monday.
Along with Garrett Johnson's hat trick, Connor Johnson, Kaedon Higgins and Brian Nopal each had goals for the Rebels, who took 23 shots with 10 on frame. Connor Johnson and Garrett Johnson each had assists while goalie William Stockdale needed only one save.
On Wednesday, Southwestern edged Milan 3-2 on the road.
Southwestern, now 2-0-1 on the season and 2-0 Ohio River Valley Conference. The Rebels host Jac-Cen-Del on Friday and heads to Shawe next Thursday.

SHAWE ROLLS SOUTH RIPLEY
Shawe boys soccer dispatched South Ripley with ease, rolling to a 5-1 win on the road on Wednesday.
Jacob Hertz had two goals to lead Shawe while Luis Lepe had a goal and an assist. Rodrigo Reyes-Miranda and Philip Kahn each had a goal, Oswaldo Reyes-Miranda had two assists and Dylan Fitzpatrick had an assist.
Shawe, now 2-1 overall, improves to 1-0 in the Ohio River Valley Conference. The Hilltoppers travel to Christian Academy of Indiana on Monday and head to Jac-Cen-Del on Tuesday.
SWITZERLAND FALLS 3-2 TO JCD
Class A No. 7 Switzerland County suffered its sec-

ond-straight loss on a 3-2 setback at home to Jac-Cen-Del on Monday.
Switzerland led 2-1 early after two penalty kicks from Cooper Todd but the Pacers couldn't hold that lead. Jac-Cen-Del tied the game right before halftime and then scored with three minutes left to claim the win.
Switzerland, now 1-2 overall and 0-1 Ohio River Valley Conference, was to host Rising Sun on Wednesday. The Pacers travel to South Ripley on Tuesday.
MADISON SHUTS OUT SCOTTSBURG
Madison boys soccer defeated Scottsburg 4-0 at home on Tuesday.
Madison, now 2-0-1 overall, hosts Charlestown next Tuesday.

CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

Trimble, Carroll cross country open season

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Cross country teams from Trimble County and Carroll County opened the 2023 season at the Backwoods Invitational at Trimble County Recreational Park on Saturday.
Trimble County was unable to field a complete team in either the boys or girls race while Carroll County placed 12th in the boys race with 323 points. Carroll did not field a complete girls team.
Taylor Harsin led Carroll's boys by running 47th in 21:36.16 in the 5K event. Alex Bolton was 88th in 24:03.53, Aiden Lilley was 98th in 25:07.58, Teague Walls was 104th in 25:57.15, and Johnathon Pirtle was 111th in 28:17.45.
Trimble County's Zander Guth was 67th in 22:33.71 and Cole Jennings was 116th in 37:13.22.
Rebecca Kainer led the Trimble girls with a 28th-place finish in 25:48.00, Avery Stockdale was 67th in 28:56.16 and Jayleigh Willis was 88th in 31:25.99.
Carroll County's Lydia Risk was 94th in 32:49.17.

Bishop Brossart won the boys race with 36 points, just two points ahead of South Oldham. Campbell County's Jonathon Christopher was the individual winner in 17:00.97.
Beechwood won the girls race with 47 points. Beechwood's Lily Parker was the girls individual winner in 20:28.95.
Carroll County was scheduled to run at Switzerland County on Tuesday, but that meet was postponed due to the heat. Both Carroll and Trimble run at Grant County on Saturday.
REBELS RUN AT SHELBYVILLE
Southwestern cross country competed in the Jeremy Wright Invitational at Shelbyville on Saturday.
The Southwestern girls finished seventh out of 37 teams with Tori Gammons running seventh overall and Olivia Simpson 19th. The Rebel boys were 17th out of 37 teams.
Southwestern was scheduled to run at Switzerland County on Tuesday, but that meet was postponed due to the heat. The Rebels return to action on Tuesday when they compete at Crothersville.

GOLF ROUNDUP

Wells, Perez co-medalists at Butler Falls Golf Course

BY THE COURIER STAFF
Shawe's Kira Wells and Yolett Perez each shot 45s to share low-medalist honors on a blistering day at Butler Falls Golf Course in Hanover on Monday.
South Ripley won the team match with a 231 while Southwestern carded a 264. Neither Shawe nor Jac-Cen-Del fielded complete teams.
"This was one of those hot

nights where everybody just wanted to get this match over," Shawe coach David Hertz said, referencing the heat. "I think both Kira and Yolett should feel really good about their play all things considered. They have positioned themselves to really be able to compete with anybody we play."
Kayla Boscia led Southwestern with a personal-best 58 while

Emily Keeton had a 68. Maddie Bayne and Paisley Hendrix each shot 69s in their first matches of the season while Kaitlynn Wickersham carded a 70.
On Tuesday, Southwestern dropped a 240-275 match at home to Clarksville.
Boscia had a 67, Keeton a 68, Bayne and Hendrix each shot 70s and Wickersham had a 72.
Shawe was scheduled to com-

pete at Jennings County on Wednesday, but that match was postponed due to the heat. The Hilltoppers' next match will be on Aug. 29 at Switzerland County.
Southwestern returns to action on Aug. 30 at Jac-Cen-Del.
TRIMBLE GOLF FALLS TO OWEN CO.
Trimble County boys golf came

up on the short end of a 161-169 match against Owen County on Tuesday at Cardinal Hills Golf Course in Bedford.
Dylan Penick and Collin Stark led the Raiders by each carding a 40. Charlie Liter had a 44, Case Keeton shot a 45, Brayden Wilson had a 47, and Nate Hance a non-scoring 59.
Trimble travels to Henry County on Monday.

COURIER AREA SPORTS SHORTS

- Shawe's Sam Fewell, Jenna Flint and Kira Wells, and Switzerland County's Ellie Keith and Halle Archer have been named Ohio River Valley Conference Players of the Week.
Fewell won the award in boys cross country after posting a time of 18:41 at Shelbyville.
Flint was the honoree in girls soccer after scoring six goals and handing out two assists in four matches last week.
Wells picked up three medalist performances and earned the award in girls golf.
Keith claimed the award in girls cross country after recording a time of 22:44 at Shelbyville.
Archer joined Flint as the girls soccer award winner after scoring six goals and having two assists in three matches.

- Southwestern seventh grade volleyball swept Austin in two sets on Monday.
The Rebels won 25-22 and 25-15.
On Wednesday, Southwestern defeated New Washington 25-22, 25-19 at home.
• Southwestern eighth grade volleyball defeated New Washington 25-16, 25-12 at home on Wednesday.
• The Fit For The King Flyers Dance program will soon begin a 22nd season.
Dance teams are available for girls in Pre-Kindergarten through high school. The seven-month season runs September through March.
To learn more, visit www.fitfortheKing.com and click the Flyers tab to download an information packet and registration form. Registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 1.

Verdugo, Abreu both homer as Red Sox rout Astros 17-1

BY KRISTIE RIEKEN
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HOUSTON — Alex Verdugo hit a leadoff homer with four hits and rookie Wilyer Abreu got his first major league home run among four hits as the Boston Red Sox tagged J.P. France for 10 runs in a 17-1 rout of the Houston Astros on Thursday.
The Red Sox set season highs for runs and hits with 24 each, and it was the most runs and hits the World Series champs have allowed this year. Boston has at least one home run in 13 straight games, which is the team's longest streak since homering in 19 in a row in 2019.
Verdugo drove in two runs and Abreu, who made his debut Tuesday, added four RBIs in the victory.
The Red Sox were up 13-1 before catcher Martin Maldonado gave

up five hits, including a homer to Connor Wong, and four runs in the ninth. It was his second career pitching appearance and first since throwing a scoreless inning for the Brewers in 2014.
Thursday's lopsided win comes after the Red Sox got a 7-5 victory in 10 innings Wednesday night after dropping the first two games of the series.
The Astros were hoping to get a strong start from France (9-5) to give their taxed bullpen a rest. Instead, the rookie had the worst performance of his young career, giving up 11 hits and 10 runs — both career highs — without getting out of the third inning.
Boston starter Brayan Bello (10-7) yielded nine hits and a run in seven innings for his second straight win.

The Red Sox got going immediately with Verdugo sending France's third pitch into the seats in right field for his third leadoff homer this season.
There was one on with no outs in the second when Abreu homered to right-center to extend the lead to 3-0. Abreu is a former Astros prospect who was traded to the Red Sox last season as part of the deal for catcher Christian Vázquez.
Rafael Devers hit a two-RBI single with one out in the inning to make it 5-0.
Luis Urias added an RBI double with one out in the third and Verdugo knocked another run in with a single later in the inning to leave Boston up 7-0. France walked Devers after that to load the bases and end his day.
Brandon Bielak, who

was recalled from Triple-A Sugar Land Thursday, hit Justin Turner with a pitch before walking Adam Duvall to send two more runs home. Masataka Yoshida singled after that to make it 10-0, and the Red Sox added another run on a groundout by Pablo Reyes.
Mauricio Dubón doubled to start the fifth and the Astros made it 11-1 when he scored on a single by Alex Bregman. Yordan Alvarez went 1 for 3 in his return after missing two games after slamming his hand in a door and injuring his left index finger.

when they return to Boston on Friday, and they hope he can avoid going on the injured list.
Astros: OF Michael Brantley (right shoulder surgery) will return to Sugar Land to resume a rehabilitation assignment this weekend. Manager Dusty Baker said Brantley, who hasn't played since June 2022, wasn't ready to return and needed more time in Sugar Land before rejoining the Astros.
UP NEXT
Boston: The Red Sox haven't announced their starter for Friday's opener of a three-game series against the Los Angeles Dodgers.
Houston: LHP Framber Valdez (9-9, 3.55 ERA) starts for the Astros against Detroit RHP Matt Manning (5-4, 4.31) Friday night in the first of three games against the Tigers.

Rodgers tops this year's list of NFL players who switched teams

BY ARNIE STAPLETON
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Super Bowl aspirations surround the New York Jets despite their dubious distinction of owning the longest playoff drought across the four major U.S. sports leagues.
Landing Aaron Rodgers can do that to a downtrodden franchise that's foundered since losing to Pittsburgh in the AFC championship following the 2010 season.
That was the last AFC title game that didn't feature either the New England Patriots or Kansas City Chiefs. And while the Tom Brady/Bill Belichick pairing and later the Patrick Mahomes/Andy Reid duo were ruling the conference, the Jets were stumbling through 11 non-winning seasons and finishing last in the AFC East seven times.
"He's brought a lot of juice, obviously, and he's brought a lot of hype and it's awesome, because we want all of it," Jets coach Robert Saleh said of Rodgers, the four-time MVP who's following in Brett Favre's footsteps in moving to New York at age 39 after starring in Green Bay.
Favre posted a winning record in his single season with the Jets but didn't get them to the playoffs. Rodgers' task could prove even tougher

as he jumps to a conference that's top-heavy in elite quarterbacks including the likes of Mahomes, Justin Herbert, Joe Burrow, Lamar Jackson and Josh Allen.
At least Rodgers has some familiar faces to throw to as former Packers Randall Cobb and Allen Lazard joined him with the Jets as did ex-Chiefs wide receiver Mecole Hardman. That bolsters a roster featuring the reigning rookies of the year in wideout Garrett Wilson and cornerback Sauce Gardner. (Although, the receiving corps took a hit when Corey Davis announced he was stepping away from football).
Running back Dalvin Cook spent six years with the Vikings and jumped at the chance to take hand-offs from Rodgers, signing a one-year deal with the Jets.
The Jets also hired offensive coordinator Nathaniel Hackett, who oversaw the Packers offense from 2019-21 when Rodgers won two NFL MVP awards and made the Pro Bowl all three seasons.
Hackett is fresh off a calamitous head coaching debut in Denver, where he went 4-11 before getting fired amid Russell Wilson's career-worst season — but Rodgers has his buddy back.

When Broncos coach Sean Payton this summer called the work Hackett and his staff did in Denver last season "one of the worst coaching jobs in the NFL," Rodgers retorted that Payton needs to "keep my coaches' names out of his mouth."
Rodgers in his oversized Gotham green helmet isn't the only new sight awaiting NFL fans in 2023.
Other notable veterans with new addresses:
LEFT TACKLE ORLANDO BROWN JR.: Brown switched sides in the budding rivalry between Kansas City and Cincinnati after winning a Super Bowl ring in his second season with the Chiefs. The top free agent on the market this year, he signed a four-year, \$64 million deal with Cincinnati, where he'll provide blindside protection for Joe Burrow once the quarterback recovers from a calf injury. Burrow has been sacked 153 times in 49 career starts.
RUNNING BACK EZEKIEL ELLIOTT: The three-time Pro Bowler ran for a career-low 876 yards last season but still reached the end zone 12 times. The Cowboys released him in a salary cap move and he signed a one-year deal with New England worth up to \$6 mil-

lion. He won't be the featured back for the Patriots, however, as he's expected to serve as a complement to Rhamondre Stevenson.
EDGE RUSHER ZA'DARIUS SMITH: The cap-strapped Minnesota Vikings shed salaries and stars this offseason. They sent Smith, a three-time Pro Bowl pass rusher, to the Cleveland Browns, where Smith is paired up front with All-Pro end Myles Garrett, one of the NFL's best edge rushers.
QUARTERBACK JIMMY GAROPPOLO: After six up-and-down seasons in San Francisco, Brady's former backup in New England reunited with Raiders head coach Josh McDaniels on a three-year, \$68 million deal. He leads an offense featuring wide receivers Davante Adams, Hunter Renfrow and ex-Patriots pass catcher Jakobi Meyers.
TIGHT END DARREN WALLER: The Raiders traded Waller to the Giants less than two weeks after he married Las Vegas Aces star Kelsey Plum. Waller gives New York quarterback Daniel Jones a major playmaker and an upgrade at tight end. Waller was a 1,000-yard receiver in 2019 and '20 before injuries cut into his production over the last two seasons.

Ohtani leaves game with torn ligament as Reds sweep Angels

BY GREG BEACHAM
AP SPORTS WRITER

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Shohei Ohtani abruptly left the mound in the second with a torn ligament after hitting his major league-leading 44th homer in the first inning during the Los Angeles Angels’ 9-4 loss to the Cincinnati Reds on Wednesday in the first game of a doubleheader.

Ohtani won’t pitch for the rest of the season because of the tear in his elbow ligament, Angels GM Perry Minasian announced after the second game. The team doesn’t yet know whether he will need surgery.

The Angels got a double blow of terrible injury news: Three-time AL MVP Mike Trout is going back on the injured list for at least 10 days to aid his recovery from surgery on a broken bone in his hand, Minasian said. Trout returned to the Angels’ lineup Tuesday after a seven-week absence, but he didn’t play in the doubleheader after waking up sore.

Ohtani doubled and scored as Los Angeles’ designated hitter in the nightcap, choosing to play on even after learning of his torn ligament between games. Ohtani had Tommy John surgery after his AL Rookie of the Year season in 2018.

Orange County native Matt McLain homered and drove in three runs as the Reds won the nightcap 7-3, sweeping a three-game series with the Angels for the first time.

Elly De La Cruz had a career-high six RBIs with a three-run homer and a three-run triple in the second game.

In the opener, Ohtani faced six batters and threw 26 pitches before he departed with a 2-2 count on Christian Encarnacion-Strand. Ohtani skipped his previous turn in the Angels’ rotation to rest his arm, and he has now left five starts early this summer with injuries including finger blisters, a cracked fingernail and hand cramping.

Before the tear was revealed, Angels manager Phil Nevin said Ohtani’s pitching arm “just didn’t feel right.”

“He told me he didn’t feel any pain,” Nevin said. “It was just more of the

same thing he’s been feeling for the last couple of weeks.”

The two-way superstar homered and pitched in the same game for the seventh time this season, with his two-run shot moving him past Atlanta’s Matt Olson to reclaim the MLB lead.

Ohtani has missed only two games all season, none since May 2.

Rookie Nolan Schanuel, the first player from the 2023 draft class to reach the majors, reached base seven straight times and eight times in nine plate appearances in the doubleheader after pinch-hitting for Ohtani in the third inning of the opener.

Luis Rengifo had a two-run single in the second game for the Angels, whose dreams of ending their eight-year playoff drought are all but dead. Los Angeles has lost four straight and 16 of 21 since the trade deadline, when the Halos elected not to move Ohtani and made several acquisitions.

De La Cruz struck out three times in the opener, but the Reds’ sensational 21-year-old rookie shortstop also came up with two huge hits.

De La Cruz hit his 11th homer in the fifth, connecting three pitches after Angels shortstop Andrew Velazquez got an error for short-hopping a throw to first on what should have been an inning-ending grounder. Los Angeles also lost Tuesday’s game because Cincinnati scored three unearned runs after Schanuel botched De La Cruz’s grounder that should’ve ended the inning.

“At any point, a game-changing play or an at-bat or a baserunning play, there’s so many ways he’s contributing and helping us win games,” Reds manager David Bell said. “Today it was with the bat, for sure.”

De La Cruz then cleared the bases in the seventh with a triple off Dominic Leone. After driving in only seven previous runs in all of August, De La Cruz became the first Reds batter with at least six RBIs in a game since Colin Moran did it in May 2022.

Buck Farmer (4-5) threw 1 2/3 innings of scoreless relief for Cincinnati in the opener. Tyler Anderson (5-5) relieved Ohtani and allowed just one earned run over 4 2/3 innings for the Angels.

REBELS

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Benecke had five kills and nine digs, Addison Edmondson had four kills, five aces and three digs, Alana Washington had 14 assists and nine digs, Olivia Liter had 11 digs, and Emmy Jent had 10 digs.

Trimble then played Frankfort on Wednesday and lost 2-1 26-24, 24-26, 25-22.

Trimble, now 2-1 overall and 2-0 in the North Central Kentucky Conference, plays Williamstown in the

8th Region All ‘A’ Classic Saturday at Gallatin County.

CARROLL DROPS TWO

Carroll County volleyball lost a pair of matches in straight sets earlier this week.

On Monday, the Panthers lost 25-15, 25-11 at home to Grant County and on Tuesday, Carroll lost 25-19, 25-21 to Cornerstone Christian.

Carroll, now 0-4 on the season, was to host Newport on Thursday and head to Williamstown on Monday before hosting Eminence on Tuesday.

CALENDAR

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TUESDAY, AUG. 29 CROSS COUNTRY

Shawe, Southwestern at Crothersville, 5 p.m.

GOLF

Switzerland Co. girls host Shawe, Jac-Cen-Del, 4:30 p.m.

Trimble Co. hosts Carroll Co., 4:30 p.m.

Madison girls host Floyd Central, 5 p.m.

SOCCER

Shawe boys at Jac-Cen-Del, 5 p.m.

Switzerland Co. boys at South Ripley, 5 p.m.

Madison boys host Charlestown, 6 p.m.

TENNIS

Madison boys host Salem, 5 p.m.

Southwestern boys host Jennings Co., 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Southwestern at Charlestown, 6:30 p.m.

Switzerland Co. at Milan, 6:30 p.m.

Carroll Co. hosts Eminence, 7 p.m.

Madison hosts Silver Creek, 7:30 p.m.

Madison Christian hosts Carrollton Christian, 9:30 p.m.

		Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	FRIDAY EVENING										
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4	WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	NFL Football Detroit Lions at Carolina Panthers (N)						CBS4..
5	WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	Ninja Warrior	Dateline NBC (N)					News
8	WISH	12		News (N)		Inside..	ET (N)	Family Law (N)	Moonshine (SF)	News (N)			News	
9	WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Cincin..	Will Trent	20/20					News
11	WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Will Trent	20/20					News
15	WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	NewsHour (N)		Comm..	Week	Stars of Tom. (N)				BBCN..
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32	WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	NFL Football Detroit Lions at Carolina Panthers (N)						News
34	WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Family Law (N)	Moonshine (SF)	BigBa..	Sheldon	black-i..		
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A&E		28	36	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48 (N)		Witness (N)		Women (N)		First48
AMC		29	26	(5:30) ***** Twister ('96)				***** Hacksaw Ridge ('16) Andrew Garfield.					Movie	
COM		45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	
DISC		31	38	Gold Rush-Res.		Gold Rush (N)		Gold Rush-Res. (N)		Hoffman (N)		Outback (N)		
DISN		25	29	Big City	Big City	Ladyb..	Ladyb..	***** Mulan ('98)		Ghost	Hailey	Hailey	Ladyb..	
ESPN		32	44	SportCtr (N)		LLBWS		Football Lipscomb Academy (TN) at Saraland (AL)						SportC..
FREE		18	40	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	Family..	700Club	
FX		40	28	(4:30) ***** The Last Duel ('21)				***** Thor ('11) Chris Hemsworth.				✪ Thor: Dark ...		
HBO		201	17	(5:20) ✪ BS High		✪✪✪ Spaceballs ('87)		(4:40) ***** Moonage Daydream ('22)				How to		
MAX		270	73	(4:20) ✪✪✪ Wolf ('21)				✪ Law Abiding Citizen		(4:50) ✪ Regression ('15) (P)				
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PARMT		35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	***** Django Unchained ('12) Christoph Waltz, Jamie Foxx.						
SHOW		221	16	***** True Grit ('10)				✪ Organ Trail ('23) (P)			✪ Dead for a Dollar ('22)			
TMC		233	74	Movie		(4:35) ✪ The Jesus Rolls		***** Up in the Air ('09)		(4:50) ***** The Peacemaker ('97)				
TNT		27	43	(4:45) ✪ Ocean's Twelve			***** Ocean's Eleven ('01)				Rampage (N)		Movie	
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8 WISH	12		News	FamFe..	The Rookie		Great Choc (N)		Recipe..	Recipe..	News (N)		News	
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	WiseM..	Football	South Carolina State vs. Jackson State (N) (Live)					News		
11 WHAS	11	4	World..	News	Inside..	Football	South Carolina State vs. Jackson State (N) (Live)					News		
15 WKPC	13		Lawrence Welk		TimFa..	RedGr..	Kentuc..	Ky.Afi..	***** Hoosiers ('86)			Austin		
19 WXIX	10		(3:00) H..	Prega..	Baseball Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh Pirates (N)						FOX19		Lyrics	
32 WLKY	5	5	(3:00) Golf		Wheel	Jeopar..	WLKY (N)		48 Hours		48 Hours		News	
34 WBKI	7	7	JudgeJ..	JudgeJ..	TwoM..	USL Championship Soccer							Great..	
41 WDRB	8	9	NFL Football						M*A*..		M*A*..	WDRB News	Lyrics	
A&E	28	36	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Kings-BBQ (N)		Hip Hop (N)		Neighb..	
AMC	29	26	(4:00) ✪ Hacksaw...		***** Tombstone ('93) Val Kilmer, Kurt Russell.						***** Unforgiven ('92)			
COM	45	59	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Movie	
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FREE	18	40	(4:15) ✪✪✪ Mulan ('20)		Donnie Yen, Crystal Liu.				(4:55) ✪✪✪ Aladdin ('19)		Will Smith.			
FX	40	28	(5:00) ✪ Skyscra...		✪✪✪ The Fate of the Furious ('17) Vin Diesel.						✪ Kingsman: Golden Cir...			
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PARMT	35	41	(3:30) ***** Titanic			***** Pretty Woman ('90) Richard Gere.					***** Titanic ('97)			
SHOW	221	16	(5:00) ✪ Indiana ...		✪ Indiana Jones & the Temple of ...			✪ Indiana Jones & the Last Crusade			Movie			
TMC	233	74	Movie	***** The Bling Ring		***** Midsommar ('19) Florence Pugh.						✪ 13 Fanboy		
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THE Daily Commuter Puzzle

by Jacqueline E. Mathews

ACROSS

1 Cut coupons

5 Keep complaining

9 Five ___ five is one

13 Unexplainable

15 Plentiful

16 Intellectual

17 Makes money

18 Envelope recipient

20 Bath with seats

21 Sunbather's reward

23 Puts on the schedule

24 Racing oval

26 Play on words

27 Painkiller

29 Passengers

32 Show to be true

33 Twenty

35 Antlered animal

37 Fork prong

38 Racket

39 Read over quickly

40 Briny expanse

41 Koufax or Duncan

42 Glowed

43 Injured arm supports

45 Moocher

46 ___ culpa

47 Goodyear products

48 Hillsides

51 Suffice for forfeit or sculpt

52 Proofs of who you are, for short

55 Movie set worker

58 Actor Cibirian

60 Rarin' to go

61 Actress Winslet

62 Straining device

63 Partner

64 ___ tea

65 Sitcom horse

DOWN

1 Mediocre marks

2 Jump

3 Absurd

4 Clothing fastener

5 Grouch

6 Help

7 Rural addr. letters

8 Sweat

9 Crazy

10 TV's "Empty ___"

11 Shade provider

12 Anthology entries

14 Subject of a will

19 Manage to avoid

22 Large club

25 ___ about; speak highly of

27 ___ for; picks

28 Levers

29 Like pink cheeks

30 Have second thoughts about

31 Street talk

33 Heirs, often

34 Spanish hero

36 Leg part

38 Japanese port city

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ACROSS

1 Child's cry

5 Big group of people

10 Ready, willing and ___

14 Surrounded by

15 Sound portion of a telecast

16 ___back; relaxed

17 Place for a swing set

18 Making fun of

20 Santa ___, CA

21 Stiller & Savage

22 In a funk

23 Remedies

25 Mongrel

26 Penniless person

28 Take into custody

31 Permit

32 Side road

34 Buddy

36 Time for a meal

37 Fantasize

38 Greek salad topper

39 Wildebeest

40 Hard on the ears

41 Walked the floor

42 Regard highly

44 Measly

45 "___ All That"; 2021 film

46 Part of a screwdriver

47 Knight's weapon

50 Bakery display

51 Trophy, often

54 Author's typed draft

57 Choir member

58 Takes advantage of

59 External

60 Bluish green

61 Knife wound

62 Emotional

63 Pale-faced

DOWN

1 Poet Angelou

2 "___ for All Seasons"; Oscar winner

3 Unexplainable by science

4 Use a plus sign

5 Profession

6 Wrecks

7 Chances

8 Nintendo game console

9 Trumpeter

10 Charm; appeal

11 Pretrial payment

12 Piece of a chain

13 Nervous

19 Loan shark's crime

21 Make beer

24 Come ___; find

25 Stuff

26 Hunger pain

27 Unaccompanied

28 Out of town

29 Glasses

30 Idaho export

32 Teacup's edge

33 "Certainly!"

35 Godiva or Gaga

37 Forest femmes

38 Actor Peter

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Siblings confront challenging genealogy

Dear Amy: My brother and I are the byproducts of extramarital affairs our mother had between 1943 and 1953, presumably to the same man.

For decades we were led to believe that the father who raised us was our biological father.

Out of a guilty conscience, our mother eventually spilled the beans about her past. We were devastated.

Even though we've subscribed to two well-known genealogical databases in an attempt to track down our biological father, our efforts have been fruitless.

Both databases put forth hundreds of "possible relatives," even though his surname has never even appeared in either one of them. The only confirmation that we have of his actual existence was an obscure death certificate, dated 1963.

Although he was passed off as nothing more than a family friend at that time, we actually did have social contact with our biological father on rare occasions, so we do know his name.

I might mention that our mother



did several stints in psychiatric hospitals after her paramour died, so the veracity of her story could be called into question.

My brother and I are 79 and 72 respectively.

We're stuck between having closure and letting go, and would appreciate your advice.

— Constantly Wondering

Dear Constantly Wondering: My immediate reaction is that you and your brother should expand your search from genealogy databases to also include DNA databases.

If you and your brother both submitted samples, a DNA search would first of all reveal whether you and your brother are full or half-siblings.

It would also likely turn up some DNA relatives along both your mother's and biological father's sides.

One advantage of DNA genealogy research is that it is not dependent on names, surnames, family trees, or public records.

Learning the truth about your DNA heritage might enable you and your brother to close this particular door — and I hope you will also prepare yourselves that it will likely open others.

A landmark birthday isn't cruising along

Dear Amy: My husband will be turning 80 next year and I suggested to my daughter that, since everyone in our family loves Disney, the 10 of us should spend the week of his birthday in Orlando. (My husband's birthday falls during a holiday week, and the children are not in school.)

She said she thought this was a fun idea, but now she wants to go on a cruise, instead.

Our daughter is well aware that my husband does not wish to go on a cruise.

So she and her family have planned a week-long cruise for that week, which means they won't be with us for the birthday or any part of that holiday week.

I am very hurt by their decision and find that this is bringing up a long list of past hurts that I have never verbalized.

It's pretty much all I think about. In your opinion, should I tell her how hurt I am, or should I let it go?

— Sad Mother and Grandmother

Dear Sad: Recently I was talking with another parent who has adult children (also with grandchildren), and she offered that elder parents should never correct adult children. Her point was that they are adults,



and that elder parents should accept and support their choices, even if the parents disagree with these choices.

I agree with the spirit of this point of view where it concerns not interfering with the decisions of competent adults to run their own lives and relationships the way they want to — but when these decisions directly affect your own life, are you supposed to remain silent?

I don't think so.

One advantage of being appropriately honest is that slights don't build up and become overwhelming. Expressing a basic view ("You have the right to make your own choices, but I disagree with this one") enables you to express yourself honestly, and move on.

I suggest approaching this as a conversation, versus a confrontation. Don't use loaded words like "selfish," "thoughtless," or "ungrateful." Say to her, "I'm confused by your choice to take the kids on a cruise the same week that we proposed taking the whole family to Orlando to celebrate your father's birthday. Can you explain your thinking?"

If your daughter's reasoning disappoints you, you should say so: "Dad and I were hoping to make this a family vacation, and we're disappointed you won't be with us."

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — To be a champion you cannot focus on obvious parts of your competition. The crucial step can be to work through your weakness, whether it could be forcing yourself into one more lap or writing another draft.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — More volume does not always mean more accuracy. Instead of seeing who can rattle the windows better, decide what you and the other person have to offer and what you both can give up to reach a compromise.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Until you clear the air or settle any debts you owe you cannot move forward. There can be people you need to talk to and relationships that might need tending. Face your past and accept the consequences.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Too much of your life may be spent under the fluorescent lights and you could be turning a shade of gray. Go outside when you can or walk around the parking lot to gain some needed fresh air and sunshine.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Everything in your life may have taken thousands of people working together to bring them to fruition. If civilization requires that much cooperation it might be time for you to analyze your part in everything.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You may have tried checklists, consulted with your friends, and even flipped a coin. But you know you cannot farm out the challenging work of planning the future. No one else can make your decisions for you.

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — It can feel tiresome, but careful attention to the rules may be your only protection against confusion. While they are racing around, trying to remember what day it is, and they could see you working diligently.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — The way things may be going, a coin flip could come up heads, tails, or self-destruct. All sorts of things may not be making sense currently. Hunker down for a while. Cause and effect could realign and reset soon.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — It's important to go back to the people you have wronged, accept responsibility, and make amends for what you've done. When you ask for forgiveness, you might need to accept their answer, even if they do not forgive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Push aside pride or stubbornness and listen to any advice that you could be offered. Try to avoid repeating self-sabotaging patterns. Learn from the mistakes of others and you can see a path to more successful choices.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Time may heal all wounds, but time could also allow the infection to spread. Before it takes over, seek out the hurt person to ask for forgiveness. Own up to what you might have done to make it easier for them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — What they hear might not have any relation to what was said. This may be the time for utmost sincerity and honesty and avoiding sarcasm. Try not to let rational, objective criticism ruin a perfectly good relationship.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — It can be easy to feel angry about a betrayal, but it is an unnecessary thing to carry around. The burden is only yours to carry; they may not even know how you feel. Wipe the slate clean. This is for YOU.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You can feel overwhelmed or that it is all meaningless. It could seem inconceivable right now, but it will pass, and you will be able to enjoy the sunshine again. Keep to routines and things may be better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — This could be the time to live by the rules. Somebody may be paying attention and waiting for you to step a toe out of bounds or misread a contract. Protect yourself and your loved ones by paying attention.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You may be feeling like it has been two steps forward but three steps back right now. Realize that even if things are going wrong, it cannot last forever. Remain patient. The world will catch up with your ambitions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — You may be feeling like you are stuck in an endless loop where you are either too late or too early for everything right now. Despite recent appearances, your day could be coming sooner than you think.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — If someone tells you that you are on thin ice, they may be trying to save you, not take control. Listen to what they have to say to avoid any consequences. If you ignore critics, you could find the water is cold.

Steichen’s preseason finale plan includes QB Richardson

BY MICHAEL MAROT
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Rookie quarterback Anthony Richardson was to start the Indianapolis Colts’ preseason finale Thursday at Philadelphia, coach Shane Steichen said following Tuesday’s joint practice with the Eagles. Richardson, the No. 4 overall pick in April’s draft, also started the preseason opener at Buffalo, but sat out last Saturday’s victory over Chicago because Steichen thought he had seen enough from the former Florida star during last week’s two joint practices against the Bears. “Yeah, he’ll play on Thursday, and it will be a case by case with a lot of these (starters),” Steichen said. “But a lot of the start-

ers will get some reps.” Steichen announced last week that Richardson had won the quarterback competition over free agent signee Gardner Minshew and three-year veteran Sam Ehlinger and would start the regular-season opener Sept. 10 against Jacksonville. It’s the seventh consecutive season Indy has had a different starter on opening day — a streak they’re hoping Richardson can break next season. Tuesday’s practice ended early as Eagles center Jason Kelce and Colts linebacker Zaire Franklin got into a fight. Steichen spent the previous two seasons as offensive coordinator for Philadelphia coach Nick Siriani,

who was hired away from the Colts. “Obviously, we don’t want that in practice, we don’t want fighting,” Steichen said. “So, I’ve got to go back, look at it and review it and, hopefully, it’s all on film.” Richardson’s ill-advised third pass at Buffalo was intercepted, but he wound up going 7 of 12 with 67 yards while leading the Colts into Bills territory twice in a solid debut. While Richardson had two up-and-down days against the Bears defense, he still managed to show glimpses of why the Colts wanted him. The 6-foot-4, 244-pound Richardson dazzled fans with a pre-practice display by effortlessly throwing

one 60-yard pass after another as well as his ability to run. He also made some rookie mistakes. “I’m a competitor and I like to play, but it also opened up my world for me — teaching me how to be more of a leader, a more vocal leader — bringing the energy for the squad if the energy is not there,” he said of not playing last week. Richardson went 6-7 and completed less than 55% of his throws with the Gators before impressing scouts with what some called the most athletic performance by a quarterback in NFL scouting combine history. Critics question whether he can improve his accuracy at the pro level. Steichen also acknowl-

edged he was aware of Monday’s reports the Colts have given All-Pro running back Jonathan Taylor, the 2021 NFL rushing champ, permission to seek out a trade partner. Steichen declined any further comment. “Again, those are the reports right now and we’re working through those things,” Steichen said. “Like I said, I’ll refer all those questions to (general manager) Chris Ballard.” Taylor has been on the Colts’ physically unable to perform list since reporting to training camp July 25. He has not participated in any of the team’s workouts since undergoing offseason ankle surgery and remains mired in an

ugly contract dispute as he enters the final year of his rookie contract. The former Wisconsin Badgers star has complained publicly about the low value NFL teams have put on running backs in recent years, citing the \$10.1 million franchise tag — the lowest number for any position other than kickers or punters. The 24-year-old Taylor rushed for nearly 3,000 yards over his first two seasons but missed six games last season because of injuries and wound up with 861 yards, an average of 4.5 yards per carry and four TD runs — all career lows. On Sunday, Steichen said Taylor was expected to travel with the team to Philadelphia.

Sources: Colts give Taylor permission to seek trade

BY MICHAEL MAROT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis Colts have given disgruntled running back Jonathan Taylor permission to find a trade partner, a person with knowledge of the situation told The Associated Press on Monday. The person requested anonymity because it has not been released publicly.

Just two days earlier Shane Steichen told reporters Taylor would rejoin the team Sunday following an excused absence to tend to a personal matter. Then on Sunday, Steichen said Taylor would travel with the Colts to Philadelphia, where the teams will hold a joint practice Tuesday before playing their preseason finales Thursday. Taylor has not practiced since the end of last season because of offseason ankle surgery. The 2021 NFL rushing champion went on the physically unable to perform list when the Colts reported to training camp July 25 and is still on it as he continues to rehab. Steichen did not say whether Taylor might practice in Philadelphia. “I do not know,” he said. “Once he is cleared to play, like I said, he’ll be back.” Taylor’s injury is just one complication in an ugly contract dispute that has played out on X, formerly known as Twitter, in the media and even included a one-hour meeting between Taylor and Jim Irsay on the team owner’s motorhome, which was parked in full view of a capacity crowd at the team’s training camp complex.

The 2021 NFL rushing champ also wants an extension as he enters the final year of his rookie contract. Taylor is slated to earn \$4.3 million this season and has been one of the more vocal running backs in recent months who has complained about the low value placed on the position by teams. Many running backs don’t get second contracts and teams are generally unwilling to pay premium money for players whose careers tend to be shorter and younger, quicker, cheaper options are almost always available. As a result, only kickers and punters have lower franchise tags than the \$10.1 million for rushers. Indy has not yet started negotiating a new deal for three reasons — it wants to make sure Taylor is healthy, it wants to see how Taylor fits in Steichen’s new offense and it could use the franchise tag to keep Taylor in the locker room for two more seasons. Following the motorhome meeting, Irsay said he was hopeful Taylor would have a good season. Later that same night, word leaked Taylor had requested a trade. Now, Irsay may be trying to patch things up. “I know these things are always difficult. I respect any time people are trying to fight for their position and their families and all those things,” Irsay said during the broadcast of Saturday’s 24-17 victory over the Chicago Bears. “We’re really looking forward to him playing his way into being the Jonathan Taylor he was.” Irsay added: “I know (general manager) Chris Ballard is going to work

hard and get the waters as calm as they can and go forward.” What it would take to acquire the 24-year-old who was a high school star in New Jersey before topping the 2,000-yard mark twice with the Wisconsin Badgers is unclear. Another team would have to give up two first-round draft picks to get Taylor if he were under the franchise designation. While the primary concern over Taylor coming out of college was his heavy workload, 926 carries in three seasons with the Badgers, it didn’t slow his NFL presence. As a rookie, Taylor rushed for 1,169 yards and averaged 5.0 yards per carry after replacing the injured Marlon Mack as Indy’s starter. In 2021, he led the league with 1,811 yards, 18 TD runs and 2,171 yards from scrimmage while sharing the league lead in total touchdowns (20). The bad ankle cost him six games last season and he wound up rushing for 861 yards, 4.5 yards per carry and four TDs — all career lows — as Indy sputtered to a 4-12-1 mark. Indy had been counting on Taylor to rebound this season as rookie quarterback Anthony Richardson, the No. 4 overall pick in April’s draft, takes over as the starter. It appears they still want him in that role. “I can’t say enough about him and his family. You never go in (to a season) with no problems at all,” Irsay said. “We’re doing everything we can to support him and embrace him as a Colt because he’s a great young man.”

Former USC star Bush plans defamation suit against NCAA

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Former Southern California running back Reggie Bush plans to file a defamation lawsuit against the NCAA over a statement made by college sports’ governing body about the reasoning for its decision not to restore the Heisman Trophy winner’s records. Bush and his attorneys at McCathern PLLC announced the lawsuit Wednesday in the rented President’s Suite atop the Coliseum, the Trojans’ home for the past 100 years. The Peristyle end of the venerable stadium features large banners honoring all of USC’s eight Heisman winners except current quarterback Caleb Williams and Bush, who is hoping to clear up his current murky status in college football history. Bush is filing the suit as part of his quest to reclaim the Heisman he voluntarily returned in 2010 after the school was hit with heavy NCAA sanctions related to improper financial benefits he received during his playing career. “I’ve got dreams of coming back in this stadium and running out of that tunnel with the football team,” Bush said. “I’ve got dreams of walking back in here and seeing my jersey and my banner right down there next to the rest of the Heisman Trophy winners. But I can’t rightfully do that without my Heisman Trophy.” Bush is suing over a statement issued in July 2021 describing the star’s playing career at USC as a “pay-for-play” arrangement. The NCAA used the phrase while detailing why it wouldn’t restore the records of Bush’s playing career, which the Heisman Trust has cited as the next step in returning Bush’s trophy. “The NCAA’s statement is completely false and highly offensive,” a statement from Bush’s lawyers read. “The NCAA knew Mr. Bush was never even accused of, involved in, much less sanctioned for any ‘pay-for-play arrangement’ which never occurred.” The NCAA didn’t immediately respond to Bush’s lawsuit. “Pay-for-play” typically refers to a

different type of improper benefit arrangement than the one which the NCAA cited in leveling USC’s sanctions. The NCAA claimed Bush accepted extra benefits from people not affiliated with USC who hoped to cash in on Bush’s professional career as agents or sports marketers. Bush played 11 seasons with five NFL teams after New Orleans chose him with the second overall pick in 2006. “Not only is it not true, but there is no evidence to even support that claim,” Bush said. “It wasn’t even part of the initial NCAA investigation, so this is a new accusation as far as I’m concerned. That’s what this lawsuit is about. It’s about truth, getting the facts out and holding the NCAA accountable, which I think is maybe the first time in my memory that this has happened, someone holding them accountable for their actions and what they’ve done in regards to me and other players as well.” Two years ago, after NCAA athletes were given the right to profit off their name, image and likeness rights, the Heisman Trust issued a statement saying it would look “forward to welcoming (Bush) back to the Heisman family” if the NCAA formally restored its recognition of Bush’s accomplishments. The NCAA subsequently issued the statement that sparked Bush’s lawsuit. The NCAA’s sanctions against USC included a two-year bowl ban, 14 vacated victories and severe scholarship restrictions. Bush also was required to “disassociate” from USC for 10 years. That ban ended in 2020, and USC has already welcomed back one of the greatest running backs in school history. Bush wants to take the next step in restoring the luster to one of the greatest careers in college football history. “When the (new) NIL (rules) came out, I thought that I would at least be able to get my Heisman Trophy back, at least have those things restored to me,” Bush said. “That was a horrible feeling, and it’s something that still sticks out in my mind.”

Fans may not notice new first-down clock, but college coaches are wary

BY ERIC OLSON
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The NCAA rule change that drew the most notice in the offseason might go mostly unnoticed by fans once the college football season is underway. For the first season since 1967, the clock will continue to run, as it does in the NFL, when a team makes a first down on a play that ends inbounds rather than stopping until the chains are set and the referee signals ready for play. The exception is during the last two minutes of the second and fourth quarters. The primary rationale for the change was to cut the number of plays to reduce players’ potential injury exposures, national supervisor of officials Steve Shaw said — not to necessarily shorten the nearly 3 1/2 hours it takes to play the average game.

The importance of limiting exposures will grow as more teams play in the College Football Playoff. The playoff goes from four to 12 teams in the 2024-25 season, and further expansion is possible after that. The NCAA Football Rules Committee projects that the new rule will trim seven or eight plays from the average of about 180 per game in 2022. An eight-play reduction over a 12-game season would save 96 potential injury exposures per team, and there would be over 100 fewer exposures for teams that advance to the playoff. The new rule will be used on every NCAA level except Division III, which was granted a request to delay its implementation until 2024. Shaw said he expects consternation about the rule to wear off much

like changes to blocking-below-the-waist rules did last year. The blocking rule drew initial outcry from coaches, Shaw said, but the transition went smoothly and the net result has been fewer lower-body injuries. “No one is going to look up in the middle of the first quarter or middle of the second and say, ‘They didn’t stop the clock on a first down and that just ruined this drive. That’s just awful,’” Shaw said. “It’s just one of those things that will disappear, and when you get your final numbers at the end, you may see seven plays less in a game that no one would have known at all.” A couple other changes address pace of play. One bars a team from calling consecutive timeouts during the same dead-ball period. The second eliminates playing an untimed down when a penalty

occurs as time expires in the first and third quarters. The play following the penalty will carry over to the following quarter. Coaches’ opinions vary on how much it will impact games. North Carolina’s Mack Brown and Maryland’s Mike Locksley are worried fewer plays will cut down on opportunities for backups who need development. “Unlike the NFL, we’ve got 85 scholarship players, 120 in our program and they all want to play,” Locksley said. Of course, the way a game unfolds usually determines the number of snaps for reserves, with more available when the score isn’t close. TCU, for example, had 10 of its 15 games last season decided by 10 points or less. It had no starting defensive linemen play fewer than 590 plays from

scrimmage, according to Pro Football Focus, and only two D-line backups got 100 snaps. Georgia had two of its 15 games decided by 10 points or less, and no starting defensive lineman was on the field for more than 531 plays. Eight backups got at least 100 snaps. Oklahoma State’s Mike Gundy said the new first-down clock rule will allow teams to more easily protect leads in the fourth quarter if they are effectively running the ball. Gundy’s offseason emphasis was to upgrade his run game, which ranked ninth in the Big 12 last season, and the new rule adds urgency. “If you can’t rush the ball, and you have to throw passes and the pass is incomplete, the clock stops,” Gundy said. “The new rule allows us to effectively rush the ball

and use the clock if we want to.” Texas’ Steve Sarkisian said his players, especially quarterbacks, will need to heighten their awareness about potential clock management changes late in second and fourth quarters. Central Florida’s Gus Malzahn, Clemson’s Dabo Swiney, Pittsburgh’s Pat Narduzzi and Oklahoma’s Brent Venables said they expect the rule to make no tangible difference. Then there’s Big Ten coordinator of football officials Bill Carolla, who joked that the guys on the chain crews will notice the difference more than anyone. “They’re old, broken down players or officials who just want a front row seat to see coaches,” Carolla said, “so they’re going to have to get down there a little bit quicker.”

Chaney, who helped Houston reach Final Four just 2 years ago, dead at 23

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
HOUSTON — Reggie Chaney, a forward who was part of Houston’s Final Four team in 2021, has died. He was 23.
Chaney was found unresponsive in an apartment in Arlington, Texas, on Monday, Arlington police spokesman Tim Ciesco

told the Houston Chronicle. Ciesco added that the cause of death was unknown, but that foul play was not suspected following a preliminary investigation.
Cougars coach Kelvin Sampson said in a statement that Chaney was “the ulti-

mate teammate, the identity of our Cougar basketball culture and a winner.”
“Thank you, God, for allowing Reggie to come into our lives,” Sampson said. “Rest easy Reg. Your

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Notice is hereby given that the Jefferson County, Indiana Plan Commission will meet on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 5:30 P.M., at the Surveyor's Office, 315 Jefferson St., Courthouse Annex Bldg., Madison, Indiana. BY ORDER OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA PLAN COMMISSION. By: Lynette Anderson, Secretary, Jefferson County Plan Commission.

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STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF JEFFERSON IN THE JEFFERSON COURT CAUSE NO 39D01-2212-DN-944

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF SIERRA HOLWAGER Petitioner, v. CHYANNE HOLWAGER Respondent

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Dated: 12/2/22
/s/ Tabatha Eblen, Clerk Jefferson, County hspaxlp

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me, directed from the Clerk of Jefferson Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Indiana, in Cause No. 39C01-2204-MF-000254, wherein PennyMac Loans Services, LLC was Plaintiff, and Richard G. Schneider and Tiffany Schneider were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree, with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 28th day of September, 2023, at the hour of 10:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 317 South Walnut Street, Madison, IN 47250, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Jefferson County, Indiana. LOT NUMBER FIVE (5) OF JORDAN ESTATES, AS SURVEYED BY PLAT DATED JULY 12, 1999 AS SURVEYED BY PLAT DATED JULY 13, 1999, AND RECORDED OCTOBER 7, 1999 AS INSURUMENT #996374 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA.
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Plan Commission Legal Notice

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, at 5:30 PM
MEETING PLACE: Madison City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250

A. Roll Call
B. Approval of minutes
C. New Applications
• **PCAF-23-7:** Trevor and Van Crafton – Application to Amend Final Plat. Applicant is requesting to separate a rear portion of parcel 39-13-03-121-069.000-007 and attach to parcel 39-13-03-121-070.000-007.
Location: 912 & 914 W First St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
• **PCRZ-23-2:** Johnny & Debbie Russell – Application to Amend the Official Zoning Map. Applicant is requesting to rezone parcel 31-13-01-223-048.000-007 from General Business (GB) to Historic District Residential (HDR) to utilize property as private residence.
Location: 117 Ferry St Zoned: General Business (GB)
• **PCAF-23-9:** Link Ludington – Application to Amend Final Plat. Applicant is requesting to split parcel 39-08-35-334-089.000-007 into two parcels. Location: 601 Mulberry St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
D. Adjournment
E. Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 5:30 PM
For the purpose of hearing those for or against said applications, a public hearing will be held on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 5:30 PM in City Hall, 101 W. Main St., Madison, IN 47250.
BY ORDER OF THE MADISON CITY PLAN COMMISSION
Joe Patterson, Associate Planner
As per Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, should contact the Madison City Plan Commission at 812-265-8324 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled meeting.

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WKU team to beat as C-USA kicks off with 4 new members

BY HANK KURZ JR.
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Conference USA heads into the season in transition.

In some respects, it got smaller, with six teams defecting to the American Athletic Conference. In others, it got bigger, adding large markets to show off its product.

Gone are Charlotte, UAB, North Texas, Florida Atlantic, Rice and UTSA. That left only five programs until the league welcomed Sam Houston, Liberty, New Mexico State and Jacksonville State for this year. It will add Kennesaw State next year.

Sam Houston exposes C-USA to Houston, and Kennesaw State is less than 30 miles from Atlanta. Both are among the country's top media markets. Liberty has dabbled in the AP Top 25 in recent seasons. Jacksonville State is coached by Rich Rodriguez, whose 172-121-2 career record was built at stops that include West Virginia and Michigan.

A 10-team league, which it will be next year barring other changes in the often frenetic realignment climate, is not ideal, commissioner Judy MacLeod said, but "there are plenty of people with their hands up saying, 'Well, we'll come tomorrow.' And I think our membership has

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— *Tyson Helton*
Western Kentucky coach

been thoughtful about how we build it."

Additional exposure will come from television. The league has partnered with CBS and ESPN to televise late September and October games during the week when most college programs are getting prepared for weekend contests.

Further exposure will come Saturday — frequently referred to as Week Zero since most teams start a week later — when Jacksonville State hosts UTEP, Louisiana Tech hosts Florida International and New Mexico State hosts Massachusetts.

On paper, Western Kentucky appears to be the team to beat. The Hilltoppers will be led by quarterback Austin Reed, the preseason offensive player of the year, and linebacker Jaques Evans, the league's preseason defensive player of the year.

"I think you're going to see a really, really good brand of football within the conference," Western Kentucky coach Tyson Helton said. "I think the new ones right out of the gate are going to give everybody a run for their money. I bet you one of those new teams are probably right in the running for the championship."

TOP PLAYERS

Offense: Reed threw for 40 touchdowns and 339 yards per game and ran for eight more TDs last season when the Hilltoppers averaged better than 36 points. He led the nation with 4, 746 yards passing. Teammate WR Malachi Corley caught 101 passes for 1,295 yards and 11 touchdowns and led college football in yards after catch with 975 and missed tackles forced with 40. UTEP WR Tyrin Smith

caught 71 passes for 1,039 yards and seven touchdowns. Louisiana Tech RB Marquis Crosby ran for 918 yards and nine touchdowns, averaging 5 yards per carry. Middle Tennessee State's Frank Peasant Peasant ran for 774 yards and nine rushing scores and caught 28 passes for 286 yards and another two touchdowns.

Defense: Evans' team-best 106 tackles included 13.5 for a loss, 8.5 sacks and two fumble recoveries. Western Kentucky teammate LB Tyrice Knight had 95 total tackles, including 6.5 tackles for loss, a sack, an interception, five pass break-ups, four quarterback hurries, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery. Middle Tennessee State DL Marley Cook had 22 total tackles, 9.5 tackles for loss, 6.5 sacks, five quarterback hurries, a pass breakup and blocked a kick. Louisiana Tech DB Willie Roberts and Western Kentucky DB Upton Stout each returned one of their four interceptions for a touchdown.

NEW FACES

The four new teams are all led by accomplished coaches. Besides Rodriguez, Liberty is now guided by Jamey Chadwell, the former Coastal Carolina coach who had the Chanticleers into the Top 25 for 22 consecutive weeks through Nov. 7, 2021. Sam Houston's K.C. Keeler led the Bearkats to the 2020 FCS national championship and boasts a career mark of 259-100-1. And New Mexico State's Jerry Kill has a long history as an assistant and head coach. His 154-101 mark includes a 49-14 victory at Liberty when the Aggies were 24-point underdogs.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

League teams will have ample opportunities to show their mettle against Power Five programs, led by Middle Tennessee State, which faces No. 4 Alabama (Sept. 2) and follows with Missouri (Sept. 9). Sam Houston plays BYU (Sept. 2), Western Kentucky faces No. 3 Ohio State (Sept. 16), UTEP faces Arizona (Sept. 16), Louisiana Tech plays Nebraska (Sept. 23), Jacksonville State faces South Carolina (Nov. 4), FIU faces Arkansas (Nov. 18) and New Mexico State is at Auburn (Nov. 18).

AP PICKS

Regular season: Western Kentucky, Liberty, Middle Tennessee State, Sam Houston, Louisiana Tech, New Mexico State, UTEP, Jacksonville State, FIU.

Champion: Western Kentucky.

ACC considering westward expansion with Stanford, Cal, SMU potential target

BY RALPH D. RUSSO
AP COLLEGE FOOTBALL WRITER

The Atlantic Coast Conference is making progress toward an expansion that could grab Stanford and California from the sinking Pac-12, a person with direct knowledge of the ACC's potential move told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the conference was not making its internal discussions public.

"It's gaining momentum," the person said about the possibility of expansion being approved.

Two weeks ago, the ACC got so far as to gather its entire board of university leaders twice in three days to consider adding Stanford, Cal and possibly SMU, the Dallas-based American Athletic Conference school. They never took an official vote, knowing they would not have had the necessary 12 of 15 votes for expansion to be approved.

How new revenue generated by adding members to the conference would be distributed has been a sticking point for several schools, among them Florida State, Clemson and North Carolina.

But the issues was never dead.

The person said Commissioner Jim Phillips has continued to work on a revenue distribution model that would direct a large portion of the money ESPN would pay the conference to cover three new members to a pool that pays out performance-based bonuses.

The person said the league was trying to arrange a meeting of its athletic directors for Thursday, but there was no meeting of the full board of presidents and chancellors yet scheduled.

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Schools joining a new conference often receive reduced shares of revenue. Stanford last week informed Pac-12 partners

Oregon State and Washington State that it had told the ACC it was open to join for a drastically reduced share or even no media rights revenue for several years.

The Pac-12 has been stripped of eight members, who have already announced they will join either the Big Ten or Big 12 in August 2024.

That has left Stanford and Cal desperate to find a another power conference home.

ESPN first reported the ACC was ramping up its expansion conversations.

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Board of Zoning Appeals

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MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, at 6:00 PM

MEETING PLACE: Madison City Hall-Council Chambers

A. Roll Call

B. Approval of minutes

C. Renewals

1. John Aaron & Jennifer Harmon – Conditional Use Permit for upscale consignment shop. Location: 1416 Bear St Zoned: Local Business (LB) One-Year Renewal

2. Anderson's Land Investments – Conditional Use Permit for Beauty & Barber services. Location: 2920 Clifty Dr Zoned: Light Manufacturing (M-1) One-Year Renewal

3. Andrew Legrand – Conditional Use Permit for a motor vehicle transportation business. Location: 2820 Clifty Dr Zoned: General Business (GB) One-Year Renewal

4. Carl Hungness – Conditional Use Permit for an apartment on the first floor only. Location: 318 Mulberry St Zoned: Central Business District (CBD) One-Year Renewal

5. Lena Burns – Conditional Use Permit for a residential daycare. Location: 124 Crestwood Dr Zoned: Medium Density Residential (R-8) One-Year Renewal

6. Monty & Nellie Mason – Conditional Use Permit for a mobile home. Location: 3341 W 400 N Zoned: Residential Agricultural (RA) One-Year Renewal

7. Susan L. Smith – Conditional Use Permit one (1) camper and one (1) boat with trailer June 1 through October 31 and up to two (1) additional campers for five (5) holidays. Location: 926 E Vaughn Dr Zoned: Open Space (OS) One-Year Renewal

8. Anna Lauderbaugh – Conditional Use Permit for a pet grooming business. Location: 1850 Adams Dr Zoned: Medium Density Residential (R-8) One-Year Renewal

9. Ryan Rodgers – Conditional Use Permit for short-term rentals. Location: 209 W First St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR) One-Year Renewal

10. Ryan Rodgers – Conditional Use Permit for short-term rentals. Location: 207 W First St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR) One-Year Renewal

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D. Tabled applications

BZCU-23-59: Jessica Lawless/New Life Fellowship – Conditional Use Permit for a daycare/childcare ministry. Location: 1542 Clifty Dr Zoned: Local Business (LB) E. New applications

1. **BZCU-23-61:** Landon & Amy Ralston – Conditional Use Permit for home occupation for purchase and sales of firearms by appointment only. Location: 1970 Clifty Dr Zoned: Medium Density Residential (R-8)

2. **BZVD-23-13:** Jacqueline Greene – Variance from Development Standards for setbacks to build a carport in the rear of the property and to cover a deck. Applicant is requesting a threee (3) foot setback on the west property line and a onee (1) foot setback on the east property line. Location: 1215 W Main St Zoned: Medium Density Residential (R-8)

3. **BZVU-23-3:** Aaron Grubbs – Variance of Use for placement of a storage shed on the property and to continue to utilize the property for automobile repair services. Location: 1019 Walnut St Zoned: Medium Density Residential (R-8)

4. **BZCU-23-68:** Kelly Rodgers – Conditional Use Permit to allow for short and long-term rentals. Location: 604 Mulberry St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)

5. **BZCU-23-69:** Cynthia Johnson – Conditional Use Permit to allow for short-term rentals. Location: 209 East St Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR) F. Motion to adjourn

G. Next meeting: Tuesday, October 10, 2023

For the purpose of hearing those for or against said applications, a public hearing will be held on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 6:00 PM in City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250.

BY ORDER OF THE MADISON CITY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Joe Patterson, Associate Planner

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Initial success prompts IU to give Woodson \$1 million pay raise

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Indiana coach Mike Woodson's first two successful seasons made him another \$1 million.
The school athletic department announced Friday that Woodson has been given a pay raise, giving him the Big Ten's third-highest annual average salary at \$4.2 million. Woodson has four years remaining on his contract after leading his alma mater to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances for the first time in a decade.
"Coach Woodson immediately re-inserted our program into the national conversation both in terms of an elevated level of success on the court and in recruiting," athletic director Scott Dolson said in a statement.

"I knew that returning our program to the level that Hoosier fans rightfully expect would be a process that wouldn't happen overnight. I have been extremely pleased with the steps we have taken during the last two years."
Woodson is 44-26 with the Hoosiers and has one NCAA Tournament win after spending a quarter-century as an NBA coach.
The 65-year-old Woodson ranks sixth on the school's career scoring list with 2,061 points and was the No. 12 overall draft pick in the 1980 NBA draft. He started coaching in 1996 after scoring nearly 11,000 points in the NBA with the New York Knicks, New Jersey Nets, Kansas City and Sacramento Kings, Los

Angeles Clippers, Houston Rockets and Cleveland Cavaliers.
Woodson also went 315-365 as a head coach with the Knicks and Atlanta Hawks.
"I believe under Coach Woodson's leadership, we have positioned the program to compete at the highest levels in recruiting, which in turn will enable us

to compete at the highest levels within the Big Ten and in the NCAA Tournament," Dolson said.
KANSAS AND ILLINOIS TO TURN PRIVATE SCRIMMAGE INTO TV FUNDRAISER FOR MAUI WILDFIRE VICTIMS
LAWRENCE, Kan. — Kansas and Illinois will play a televised basketball

exhibition Oct. 29 with the proceeds benefitting the Hawaii Community Foundation Maui Strong Fund, Kansas announced Friday.
Wildfires have scorched the island in recent days, killing at least 111, with hundreds more unaccounted for.
"For decades, the Maui Invitation and the city of Lahaina have been very

important to college basketball," Kansas coach Bill Self said in a statement. "Our thoughts and prayers go to that entire community as they recover from such a tragic event."
Self said he and Illinois coach Brad Underwood devised the plan while discussing how they could help those affected by the fires.

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